KC-135 Winglet Program Review

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PREFACE

A review of the results of a joint NASA/USAF program to develop and flight test winglets on a KC-135 aircraft was held at the Dryden Flight Research Center on September 16, 1981. This publication is a compilation of the results presented.

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KC-135 WINGLET PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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SUMMARY

A joint NASA/USAF program was conducted to accomplish the following objectives:

- 1. Evaluate the benefits that could be achieved from the application of winglets to KC-135 aircraft.
- 2. Determine the ability of wind tunnel tests and analytical analysis to predict winglet characteristics.

The program included wind-tunnel development of a test winglet configuration; analytical predictions of the changes to the aircraft resulting from the application of the test winglet; and finally, flight tests of the developed configuration.

Pressure distribution, loads, stability and control, buffet, fuel mileage, and flutter data were obtained to fulfill the objectives of the program.

INTRODUCTION

This paper provides an overview of a joint NASA/USAF effort that resulted in full-scale flight tests of winglets on a KC-135 aircraft. Winglet evolution is traced from concept, through wind-tunnel testing and full-scale flight tests.

The details of the flight tests are emphasized in this paper and serve as an introduction for the flight test result papers that follow in this proceeding.

SYMBOLS

L	Lift Force - lbs
D	Drag Force - lbs
W	Gross Weight - 1bs
δ	Ambient Pressure in Standard Atmospheres
М	Mach Number
hp	Pressure Altitude - ft.
c _t	Wing Tip Chord
CRT	Cathode Ray Tube

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NRT

Keas

Knots Equivalent Airspeed - knots

CONCEPT

Winglets are small, nearly vertical aerodynamic surfaces which are designed to be mounted at the tips of aircraft wings (see figure 1). Winglets are designed with the same careful attention to airfoil shape and local flow conditions as the wing itself. The primary component of the winglet configurations is a large winglet mounted rearward above the wing tip. The "upper surface" of this airfoil is the inboard surface. For some configurations an additional small winglet, mounted forward, below the wing tip, is necessary. The "upper surface" of the airfoil for this lower winglet is the outboard surface.

The winglets operate in the circulation field around the wing tip. Because of the pressure differential between the wing surfaces at the tip, the air flow tends to move outboard along the wing lower surface, around the tip, and inboard along the wing upper surface. This wing-tip vortex produces cross flows at each winglet. Thus the winglets produce large side forces even at low aircraft angles of attack. Since the side force vectors are approximately perpendicular to the local flow, the side forces produced by the winglets have forward (thrust) components (figure 1) which reduce the aircraft induced drag. This is the same principle that enables a sailboat to travel upwind by tacking. For winglets to be fully effective the side forces must be produced as efficiently as possible; therefore, advanced aerodynamic airfoil shapes are used. The side force produced by the winglets, and therefore the thrust produced, is dependent upon the strength of the circulation around the wing tip. Since the circulation strength is a function of the lift loads near the wing tip, winglets are more effective on those aircraft with higher wing loads near the tip.

The near vertical mounting of the winglets enables them to provide their thrust with very little increase in wing root bending. This can be an important design or retrofit consideration.

Theoretical calculations indicate that the aerodynamic benefit would be the same for a given size winglet in either the upper or lower position. However, ground clearance of low-wing jet transports limits the span of the lower winglet, and interference with the upper winglet flow limits the chord length of the lower winglet. Thus, from a practical standpoint for low-wing aircraft, the lower winglet must be relatively small. As a result, for the jet transports being discussed herein, the contributions of the lower winglet to the reduction of drag were relatively small.

As indicated in figure 1, the winglets tend to straighten the air flow thus slightly reducing the wing-tip vortex strength. However, the trailing vortex hazard still exists. The reduction is an indication of an increase in the aircraft efficiency. Winglets are not designed to improve flight safety for trailing aircraft, but to increase aerodynamic efficiency.

FLIGHT PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Program Inception and Motivation

The concept of winglets to reduce aircraft drag was developed by NASA/Langley. An empirical investigation of winglets on a DC-10 model was conducted in the NASA/Langley 8-foot transonic tunnel. Results of the investigation indicated a decrease in induced drag of about 15 percent and an overall drag decrease of about 5 percent. These preliminary results and fuel conservation interests were the motivation for application to military vehicles. Subsequently, a Boeing Company analysis of the effects of winglets on the 747 was correlated with wind tunnel data and indicated a drag reduction of approximately 4 percent on the full-scale 747 aircraft.

Based on these early results, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a joint USAF/NASA Winglet Development Program was developed. Under this MOU, NASA LaRC and the Flight Dynamics Laboratory coordinated the development of a wind tunnel data base relative to the application of winglets to selected Air Force aircraft.

The Boeing Company, under contract to the Air Force, performed an analytical investigation of winglet concepts for the KC-135 and C-141 aircraft and for the purpose of recommending winglet configurations. The analysis addressed the effect of winglets on vehicle aerodynamic characteristics and wing root bending moments. The feasibility of winglets on KC-135 aircraft and wing tip winglets interface moments were also addressed. This effort was supported by NASA/LaRC through wind tunnel tests of selected configurations.

Wind tunnel tests of a NASA/Langley constructed semi-span KC-135 model with winglets were conducted in the NASA/Langley 8-foot transonic tunnel. Results of these tests indicated an 8 percent total drag reduction at cruise flight conditions (M = 0.78, hp = 35,000 ft.).

Subsequently, a full span KC-135 model with winglets was tested in the NASA/LaRC 8 foot transonic tunnel, indicating drag reductions of 6 percent at cruise. This series included off-nominal conditions. Low speed investigations of the winglets effects on the KC-135 with various flap and aileron configurations were completed during the months of July and August 1976.

The results of the wind tunnel tests and anlytical studies are reported in references 1 through 11. In summary, these studies indicate that winglets would reduce KC-135 aircraft drag by 6 to 8 percent. This reduction translated into approximately 37 million gallons of fuel saved per year for the KC-135 fleet.

Based on these results, and the high priority fuel conservation effort within the United States in this time period, the Air Force initiated an Advanced Development Program to build and flight test a set of winglets on a KC-135 aircraft. NASA was eager to participate in a flight test program to obtain full-scale lift and drag data for comparison with the wind tunnel results. Reynolds number effects on the winglets aerodynamic performance was the primary concern in initiating flight and wind tunnel data comparisons. Both agencies objectives, though different, were compatible to a joint program and were formalized in another Memorandum of Understanding that formulated a flight program.

Obviously, both the USAF and NASA were interested in obtaining as much information as possible from the flight program. However, the specific data interests of each organization were slanted differently in some areas. A breakdown of the primary interest of each organization is provided in table I.

The responsibilities of the organizations participating in the joint program are defined in figure 2. The program was under the overall management of the Flight Dynamics Laboratory. They provided the test aircraft, a serviceable set of outer wing panels, and were technically and financially responsible for contracting with the Boeing Military Airplane Company for the design, fabrication and ground test of a set of winglets and modified outer wing panels.

NASA/Dryden was responsible for the flight phase of the program. They instrumented the aircraft, and provided funds, manpower and facilities required for this portion of the program.

The Air Force Flight Test Center provided flight crew and engineering support to the flight test program. They were also responsible for all flight flutter testing and were the onsite Air Force representative during flight testing.

NASA/Langley provided facilities, personnel, and data processing as required to support the winglet wind tunnel tests. They also provided technical support in the design of the flight winglet.

Boeing Military Airplane Company accomplished the design, fabrication, and ground testing of the winglets and provided onsite engineering support during the flight test phase.

The original flight program milestones are shown in figure 3. A contract was awarded to The Boeing Military Airplane Company, Wichita, Kansas, in September 1977. The effort included the design, fabrication and ground testing of a set of winglets and the modification of the outer wing panels to accept the winglets. Preliminary and final design reviews were held at Boeing in February and June 1978, respectively.

In conjunction with the design effort, a low speed flutter test was conducted in January 1978 in the Convair wind tunnel in San Diego. The test results are reported in reference 11. Also in support of the design effort, a limited amount of force and moment and pressure data was obtained in NASA/Langley facilities.

Prior to delivery of the winglets to NASA, Boeing conducted a ground vibration and proof load test on the outer wing panel and winglet. Included in the proof load test was a loads calibration test wherein 12 point loads were applied to the wing.

The winglets and outer wing panels were delivered to NASA/Dryden in May 1979. The outer wing panels were installed by NASA and instrument checkout was completed in July 1979. The first winglet flight was made 24 July 1979. The flight test program was interrupted several times for maintenance problems with the test aircraft. These problems are discussed later in the paper.

Winglet Design and Construction

The winglet geometry was specified by the Government and conformed to Dr. Whitcomb's design criteria as shown in figure 4. The winglet airfoil was a general purpose airfoil and the same airfoil section was used from root to tip. No twist distribution was incorporated into the design. Airfoil coordinates are listed in table II.

The design philosophy was to provide a winglet and outboard wing modification for a flight research program and not oriented to production. The design included the capability to vary the winglet incidence and cant angle on the ground as illustrated in figure 5. A two-spar design was selected for the winglet. This design allowed for a positive positioning of the winglets using fittings with a total of four shear pins per side. The seven different cant/incidence combinations could be obtained by inserting bolts through designated holes in the fittings. Gap cover fairings were provided to assure aerodynamic sealing and smoothness for each setting. The structural arrangement is shown in figure 6.

A new internal structure was designed for the wing tip to transmit the loads from the winglet to the outboard wing. The principal load carrying paths were from the front spar of the winglet to the rear spar of the outboard wing and from the rear spar of the winglet to the outboard wing auxiliary spar. A thin doubler was added to the outboard portion of the outboard wing to prevent skin "oilcanning" in the fuel tank area. All areas were smoothed with aerodynamic sealer and/or fiber glass to maintain smooth contours on the wing and winglet (see figure 7).

The design also included provisions for total removal of the winglet so that baseline airplane data could be obtained. A new tip cap was manufactured for use in baseline testing.

The winglet skin was supported by ribs, placed at 10-inch intervals, from the front spar to the winglet trailing edge. The leading edge was manufactured by nesting two 0.050-inch thick skins bonded together with close out ribs at the winglet tip and root. This approach allowed for minimum tooling since the spars and ribs could be manufactured using numeric control procedures. approach did require that all loads from the winglet be transferred to the wing tip through the fittings (no loads in skin at the winglet root). It was decided that skin "oilcanning" would be allowed at the limit load, with no "oilcanning" below 50 percent of limit load, which should have provided smooth airfoil contours during testing. The design was verified by proof load testing during which "oilcanning" of the skin was noted between 60 and 80 percent of limit load. Pillowing of the skins during flight testing was found. The pillowing was the result of a combination of the inboard pressure loading on the surface and the compressive loads in the skin. The inboard pressure loads were not considered in the design, nor were they simulated during the proof load testing. Because of pillowing, corrections were required to the aerodynamic drag; however, there was no concern from a loads standpoint as the spars were designed to carry the total load.

Test Airplane

The airplane assigned to the flight test program was a very early model of the KC-135A which had been used for other than normal tanker missions (e.g., zero "g" training missions for the astronauts). It had not received the lower wing reskin (a fleet modification on KC-135 aircraft designed to extend the fatigue life of high time or highly stressed airplanes), and due to its relatively high and unusual usage, the Air Force determined that the airplane should be restricted per the criteria for high time airplanes without the reskin modification. This restriction did not appreciably impact the flutter or performance testing, but did require that all loads data be gathered within a constrained envelope, rather than testing at the limits of the V-n envelope.

To reduce concerns that arose from the lack of a lower wing reskin, splice plates were installed at the airplane's wing root. These splice plates are a standard USAF modification designed to extend an airplane's fatigue life until a lower wing reskin can be accomplished.

A photograph of the test airplane with the flight test nose boom installed is provided in figure 8.

Instrumentation

A broad description of the instrumentation that was used for the various types of measurements that were made (i.e., drag, fuel mileage, loads, etc.) is provided in table III. A detailed definition of all the parameters that were measured as of the last flight is provided in the instrumentation line-up in appendix A. A noseboom was installed for the air data measurements. The boom is evident in figure 8 and the details of its head are shown in figure 9. Longitudinal and normal accelerometers were attached to the angle-of-attack vane to provide a measure of flight path acceleration.

A digital pulse code modulated data acquisition unit with a multiplexing capability was used to acquire the flight data. In its design configuration the data system provided a telemetry capability to Dryden and Air Force Flight Test Center ground stations for real-time data analysis, and an onboard recording capability as a backup in case of telemetry losses. This configuration was acceptable for the flutter testing but proved unacceptable for the performance testing. Tying the performance tests to the Edwards airspace complex in order to allow telemetry to the ground station resulted in constrained flight rates dependent on local weather and ground station scheduling conflicts, and constrained data gathering capability dependent on the length of the Edwards airspace complex. Therefore, after eight attempts to gather performance data via telemetry to the ground based station, the data system was modified to provide an onboard computational capability that enabled breaking the ground link.

A PDP-11 computer was installed on the airplane to provide the needed real-time calculations (i.e. W, W/ δ , M, and hp) for performance testing. A CRT and keyboard provided the display and programing capabilities for the computer. A simplified block diagram of the data system in final configuration is provided in figure 10.

FLIGHT PROGRAM

Test Plans

Initial planning laid out 35 flutter, performance, and envelope coverage flights to be conducted in the order of sequence specified in figure 11. Seven winglet configurations were to be tested in an attempt to define the configuration that would provide the best trade-off between winglet-induced performance gains and loads. The strategy was to clear the four configuration corners for flutter and thereby allow performance and envelope coverage flights for the remaining configurations without concern of flutter. The 15° can/4° incidence angle configuration included additional testing because it was the configuration at which wind-tunnel data had been obtained to evaluate stability and control characteristics and buffet boundaries.

A typical performance flight plan is shown in figure 12. Note that it includes not only performance maneuvers but loads and buffet boundaries as well. The scani-valve runs were to obtain pressure distribution data. A typical flutter flight plan is shown in figure 13. These plans nominally allowed for the coverage of two fuel configurations per flight. Envelope coverage flight plans included additional items as follows: roll response, minimum control speed, check climbs, check descents, missed approach characteristics, stability and control maneuvers, and 1g stall approaches.

Upon completion of the testing of the seven winglet configurations, it was planned to obtain data for a baseline configuration which was termed Modified Wing Tips (see figure 11). This terminology resulted from minor external modifications that were made to accommodate the winglet installation.

While the baseline tests were being conducted, it was planned that the USAF would have evaluated sufficient data from the seven winglet configuration tests to enable them to select a configuration that they would most desire to retrofit the KC-135 fleet with. That configuration then would be subjected to additional flutter and performance testing as well as envelope coverage tests.

Test Accomplishments

Figure 14 presents a photograph of the test airplane with the winglets. installed. A complete log of the test airplane's flight activity from the time it arrived at Dryden in December 1977 is provided in table IV. Flight crew checkout training was flown in the spring of 1978. Between May and September 1978, the aircraft was "layed up" while being instrumented. Upon completion of the instrumentation installation it was necessary to take the airplane to Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, for the installation of the wing root splice plates previously referred to. Some airspeed calibration and instrumentation checkout flying was accomplished prior to the delivery of the modified wing tips and winglets to Dryden in May 1979. The winglets were installed and the first winglet flight occurred on July 24, 1979. Per the plan layed out in figure 11, this winglet configuration was 15° cant angle/-2° incidence angle. This configuration required seven flights to complete rather than the planned four and uncovered a "pillowing" of the winglet skins as shown in figure 15. This "pillowing" caused sufficient concern, relative to its effect on the performance of the test

articles, and it was decided to deviate from the test plan and go to the 15° cant angle/-4° incidence angle configuration for the next tests. Wind tunnel, pressure distribution, and lift and drags measurements were available in the 15°/-4° configuration to provide some indication of the effect the pillowing might be causing. The 15°-4° tests were conducted and baseline tests (modified wing tips) immediately thereafter, still giving priority to the question of the effects of the "pillowing". Preliminary analysis indicated that the pillowing was having a small effect on the winglets' performance (approximately 10 percent of the expected gain) but was certainly not masking all of their expected benefit. (A detailed analysis of the winglet skin "pillowing", its causes and effects, is provided in reference 12.)

With the effects of the "pillowing" in hand, other considerations started driving the flight sequencing. The activity was behind schedule because of airplane fuel leaks and instrumentation problems. Therefore, it was decided to go to the 0° cant/-4° configuration and delete the 0°/-2° and 0°/-7.5° configurations. In testing this configuration, less than adequate structural damping occurred at airspeeds greater than the operational flight envelope speeds but less than the dive speeds. The low damping is discussed in detail in references 12 and 13. Also, while testing this configuration a large fuel leak developed that was the result of a crack in the front spar chord at the number 3 engine strut location. The crack in the spar chord has occurred on other airplanes and the source is a bad fatigue detail. Neither the fuel leaks nor the cracked spar cap were due to the installation of winglets. The repair of this wing spar required significant down time, January - July 1980. The need for the onboard computational capability discussed under Instrumentation had become evident and this down time was used to accomplish that modification.

Also during this down time the USAF selected the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration as the best for fleet retrofit. This selection was primarily driven by the less than adequate structural damping that was found in the $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ configuration. The retrofit selection is discussed in reference 14.

Upon resuming flight testing in July 1980 the 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration was again checked for flutter to see if the cracked wing spare might have had some effect on that result. Verifying that the cracked wing spar had no effect, the $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ performance flights were resumed with the onboard computational capability.

During the spar crack repair downtime, a review of the performance data indicated that more data than planned for each configuration would be necessary to sufficiently define the winglet fuel mileage gains. Therefore, the performance data points in the plan were doubled in number. Scatter in the data resulting from weather disturbances was the prime driver of this conclusion. The remainder of the flight activity was devoted to obtaining the $0^{\circ}/-4$ baseline, and $15^{\circ}/-4$ performance data in acceptable quantity and quality as shown in table IV.

CONCLUSIONS

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The pressure distribution, loads, stability and control, buffet, fuel mileage, and flutter data produced fulfilled the objectives of the program.

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TABLE I. - PRIMARY FLIGHT DATA INTERESTS

Data	USAF	NASA
Lift and Drag		X
Fuel Mileage	X	
Loads	х	X
Flutter	X	
Stability and Control	x	
Buffet	x	
Handling Qualities	x	
I	1	4

TABLE II. - AIRFOIL COORDINATES FOR WINGLETS

x/c	z/c	for -
	Upper Surface	Lower Surface
0	0	0
.0020	.0077	0032
.0050	.0119	0041
.0125	.0179	0060
.0250	.0249	0077
.0375	.0296	0090
.0500	.0333	0100
.0750	.0389	0118
.1000	.0433	0132
.1250	.0469	0144
.1500	.0499	0154
.1750	.0525	0161
.2000	.0547	0167
.2500	.0581	0175
.3000	.0605	0176
.3500	.0621	0174
.4000	.0628	0168
.4500	.0627	0158
. 5000	.0618	0144
.5500	.0599	0122
.5750	.0587	0106
.6000	.0572	0090
.6250	.0554	0071
.6500	.0533	0052
.6750	.0508	0033
.7000	.0481	0015
.7250	.0451	.0004
.7500	.0419	.0020
.7750	.0384	.0036
.8000	.0349	.0049
.8250	.0311	.0060
.8500	.0270	.0065
.8750	.0228	.0064
.9000	.0184	.0059
.9250	.0138	.0045
.9500	.0089	.0021
.9750	.0038	0013
1.0000	0020	0067

TABLE III. - KC-135 WINGLET TEST AIRPLANE INSTRUMENTATION

BUFFET BOUNDARIES:	Accelerometers Air Data (M, $h_{\rm p}$, α) STABILITY AND CONTROL:	Control Positions Accelerometers Angular - Attitudes, Rates and Accelerations Air Data (M, h, α, β)	FLUTTER:	Accelerometers Air Data (M, $h_{\rm D}$, α , β) Control Positions
5.	9		7.	
1. DRAG:	Engine-Pressures, and RPM's Flight Path and Body Axis Accelerometers Air Data (M, h_p , α)	2. RANGE: Fuel Flows Accelerometers Air Data (M, h, α)	3. LOADS:	Load and Strain Gages Accelerometers Air Data (M, h $_{\rm p}$, α , $\beta)$

Scanning Pressure Valves Reference Pressures Air Data (M, h, α , β)

4. PRESSURE DISTRIBUTIONS:

TABLE IV. - KC-135 (3129) FLIGHT LOG

FLIGHT	FLIGHT TIME	DATE	CONFIGURATION	OBJECTIVE
1	1.2	11 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
2	2.2	11 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
3	2.1	12 Apr 78	Baseine	Crew Checkout
4	1.8	12 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
5	2.2	14 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
6	2.7	20 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
7	3.7	24 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
8	4.3	28 Apr 78	Baseline	Crew Checkout
9	2.4	21 Sep 78	Baseline	Airspeed Calibration and Flutter
10	2.5	25 Sep 78	Baseline	Ferry to Tinker AFB
11	0.6	22 Dec 78	Baseline	Check Flight
12	3.3	17 Jan 79	Baseline	Ferry to Edwards AFB
13	3.0	14 Mar 79	Baseline	Airspeed Calibration and Flutter
14	3.8	23 Apr 79	Baseline	Flutter and Instru- mentation Checkout
15	3.0	26 Apr 79	Baseline	Instrumentation Checkout
16	2.8	30 Apr 79	Baseline	Instrumentation Checkout
17	2.3	24 Jul 79	15/-2	Airspeed Calibration and Flutter
18	3.5	1 Aug 79	15/-2	Flutter
19	3.8	2 Aug 79	15-2	Airspeed Calibration and Flutter
20	3.8	10 Aug 79	15/-2	Flutter
21	5.4	24 Aug 79	15/-2	Performance
22	2.9	19 Sep 79	15/-2	Performance
23	5.4	21 Sep 79	15/-2	Airspeed Calibration and Performance
24	5.0	26 Oct 79	15/-4	Flutter
25	6.4	2 Nov 79	15/-4	Performance

TABLE IV. - KC-135 (3129) FLIGHT LOG (cont'd)

FLIGHT	FLIGHT TIME	DATE	CONFIGURATION	OBJECTIVE
26	4.0	9 Nov 79	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Flutter
27	6.8	16 Nov 79	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
28	3.6	28 Nov 79	0/-4	Flutter
29	3.3	13 Dec 79	0/-4	Flutter and Performance
30	2.3	16 Jan 80	0/-4	Performance*
31	2.3	17 Jan 80	0/-4	Performance*
32	1.8	31 Jan 80	0/-4	Inflight Fuel Leak Check
33	1.4	15 Jul 80	0/-4	Functional Check Flight
34	2.0	22 Jul 80	0/-4	Flutter
35	7.7	29 Jul 80	0/-4	Performance
36	1.9	1 Aug 80	0/-4	Performance*
37	2.6	4 Aug 80	0/-4	Performance*
38	6.7	8 Aug 80	0/-4	Performance
39	5.0	14 Aug 80	0/-4	Performance
40	1.5	21 Aug 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance**
41	7.0	25 Aug 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
42	6.9	28 Aug 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
43	6.3	5 Sep 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
44	7.0	9 Sep 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
45	6.7	11 Sep 80	Baseline (Mod Wing Tips)	Performance
46	6.9	17 Sep 80	15/-4	Performance
47	7.1	23 Sep 80	15/-4	Performance
48	4.6	25 Sep 80	15/-4	Performance*
49	5.3	3 Oct 80	15/-4	Performance

TABLE IV. - KC-135 (3129) FLIGHT LOG (cont'd)

FLIGHT	FLIGHT TEST	DATE	CONFIGURATION	OBJECTIVE
50 51 52 53 54 55	2.7 4.6 7.0 3.0 2.0 4.8	15 Oct 80 17 Oct 80 19 Dec 80 23 Dec 80 24 Dec 80 8 Jan 81	15/-4 15/-4 15/-4 15/-4 15/-4	Performance* Performance Performance Performance Performance** Performance

^{*}Flight aborted due to rough air.

 $[\]ensuremath{^{\star\star}}\xspace Flight aborted due to computer malfunction.$

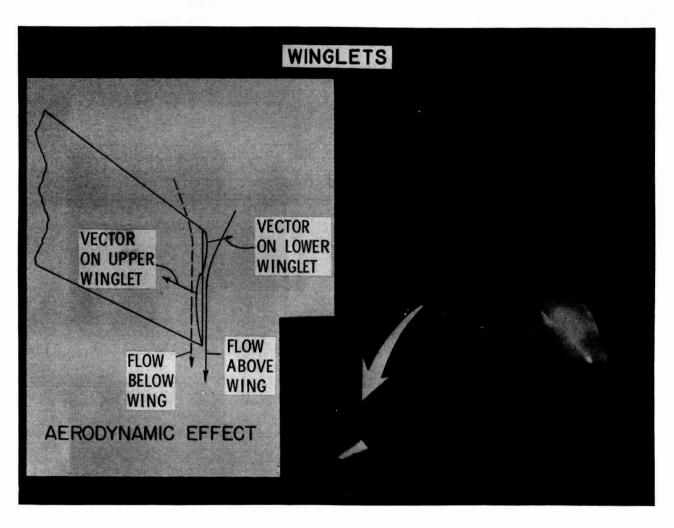
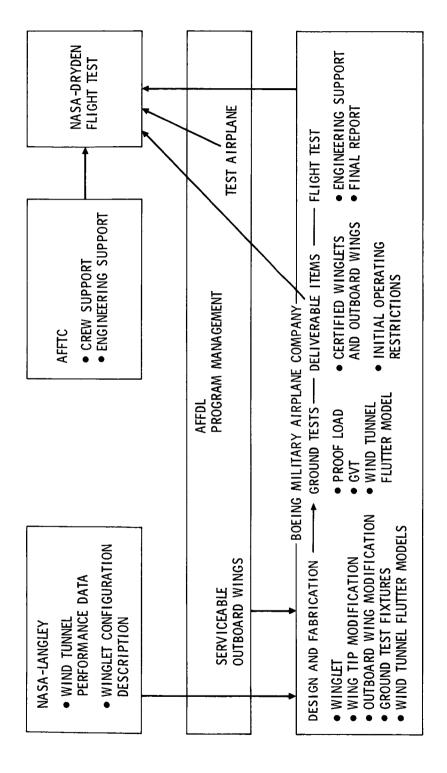


Figure 1. - Aerodynamic effect of winglet



- KC-135 winglet flight research and demonstration program (joint program responsibilities) Figure 2.

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Figure 3. - KC-135 winglet flight research and demonstration program milestones

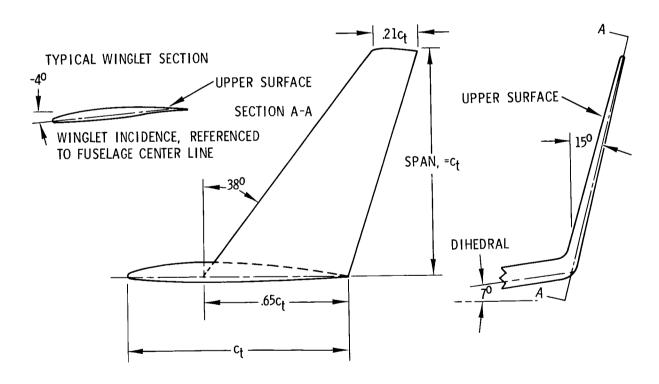


Figure 4. - KC-135 winglet design

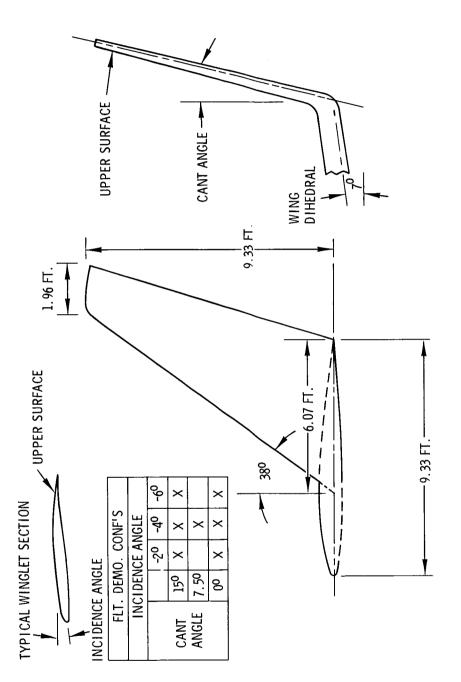


Figure 5. - Winglet geometry

Figure 6. - KC-135 test wingtip structure

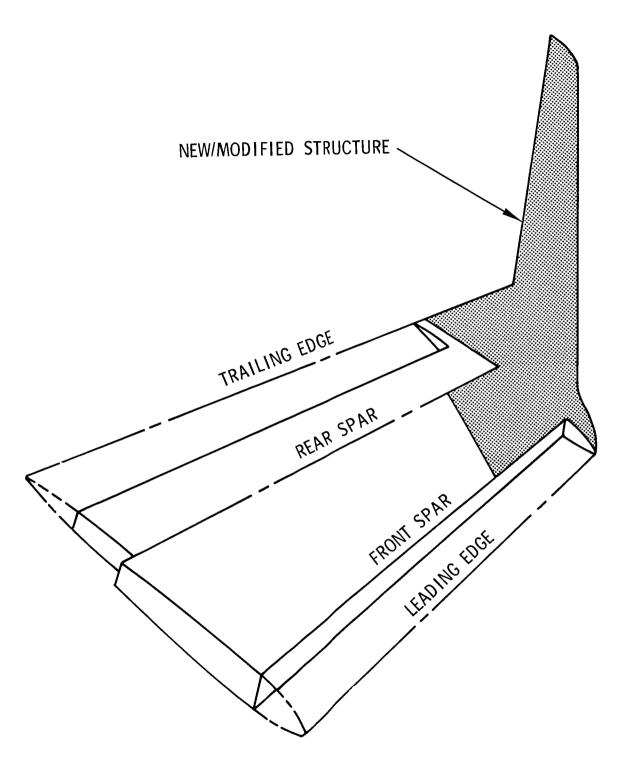


Figure 7. - Outboard wing/winglet arrangements



Figure 8. - KC-135 aircraft in flight

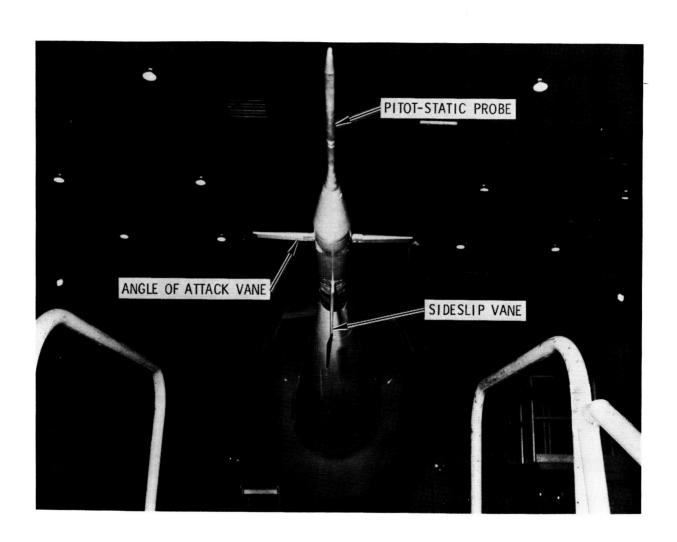


Figure 9. Noseboom instrumentation unit

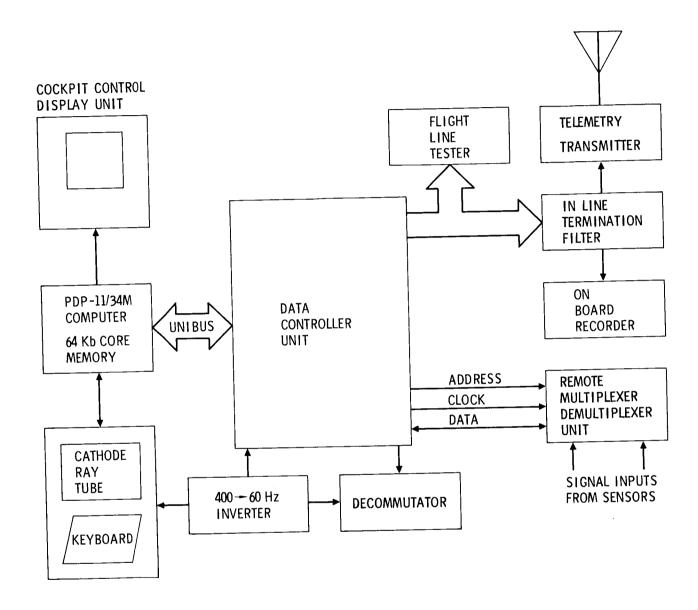


Figure 10. - Computer interactive data system (simplified block diagram)

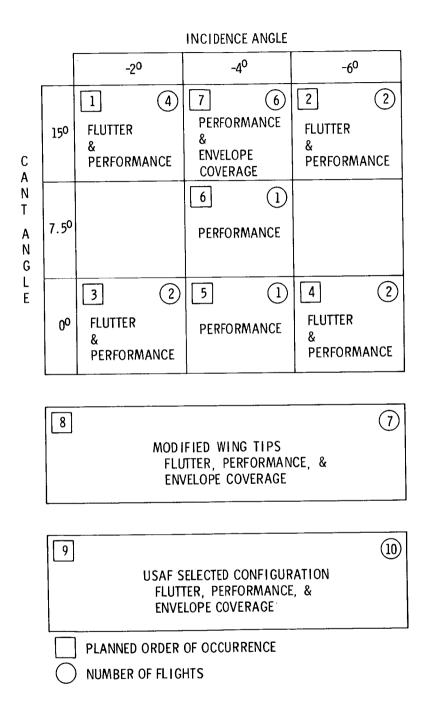


Figure 11. - Planned KC-135 winglet flight sequence

Figure 12. - KC-135 winglet flight sequence

KC-135 WINGLET FLIGHT SEQUENCE

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	COMMENTS	THEODOLITE MEAS. FROM BRAKE RELEASE TO 50 FT.	3 MIN STABILIZED POINTS WITH 1 MIN OF SCANI- VALVE AT END OF EACH RUN. WING DELECTION PHOTOS DURING RUN ACCEL AT NIT.		SCANI-VALVE DATA AT TRIM POINT AND SIDESLIPS	3 MIN STABILIZED POINTS WITH 1 MIN OF SCAN-VALVE AT END OF EACH RUN. WING DEFLECTION PHOTOS DURING RUN ACCEL AT NRT.	
_ INCIDENCE _	WEIGHT	265,000 LBS, INCLUDING 5,600# WATER	240,000 LBS	220,000 LBS	200,000 LBS	188,000 LBS	LESS THAN 170K LBS FWD AND AFT BODY EMPTY
CANT /	A/S, M, ALT	FIELD ELEVATION	.82, .80, .78, .75, .72, .70, ACCEL .70, .82, .80, .78 ≃ 35.5K FT.	.82 .80 .78 .75 .72, .70 ACCEL .70 .82, .80 .78 ≥ 34.5K FT.	220, 250, 280, 320, 350 KEAS @ 15K	.82,.80,.78,.75,.72, ,70, ACCEL,.70 ⋅ .82, .80,.78 ≈ 35K FT.	40K @ .60, .70, .80, .84 .84 .33K' @ .50 .24K' @ .40 .15K' @ .33
	MANEUVER	HANDBOOK TAKEOFF	SPEED POWER, ACCEL	SPEED POWER, PUSH OVER. PULLUP, AND ACCEL	TRIM POINT, STEADY STATE SIDESLIPS (NOISE LEFT AND RIGHT), AND PULLUP-PUSHOVER PULLUP (1.5. 5-1.5g)	SPEED POWER, AND ACCEL	WIND UP TURN TO INITIAL BUFFET (~ 15 SEC DURATION)
FLIGHT NO.	OBJECTIVE	TAKE OFF PERFORMANCE	CRUISE PERFORMANCE W/8 = 1,050,000	CRUISE PERFORMANCE W/8 = 900,000	LOADS	CRUISE PERFORMANCE W/8 = 800,000	BUFFET BOUNDARIES

KC-135 WINGLET FLIGHT SEQUENCE

	COMMENTS	THEODOLITE MEAS. FROM BRAKE RELEASE TO 50 FT	*3 AXIS AUTO-PILOT ON AND OFF (ALL OTHER CONDITIONS – AUTO PILOT OFF).		*3 AXIS AUTO PITOT ON AND OFF (ALL OTHER CONDITIONS AUTO PILOT OFF).	
INCIDENCE	WEIGHT	252,600 LBS. INCLUDING Water	MAIN AND RESERVE TANKS FULL		10,000 LBS EACH MAIN TANK RESERVÍ TANKS ÉMPTY	
CANT Z	A/S, M, ALT	FIELD ELEVATION	300, 67* 320, 712 340, 754, 350, 775* 360, 795, 370, 815 380, 835, 390, 857*	395/.867, 400/.876 405/.887, 410/.897 413/.903, 416/.91 CAS/M ⊕ 21,500′	300/67, 320/712 340/754, 350/775 360/785, 370/815 380/,885, 390/,857	395/867, 400/876 405/887, 410/897 413/993, 416/91 CAS/M (** 21,500
	MANEUVER	HANDBOOK TAKEOFF	2 EACH – ELEV., RUDDER, AND AILERON RAPS		2 EACH ELEV., RUDDER, AND AILFRON RAPS	
FLIGHT NO.	OBJECTIVE	TAKE OFF PERFORMANCE	FUEL CONDITION	-	FUEL CONDITION	•

Figure 13. - KC-135 winglet flight sequence

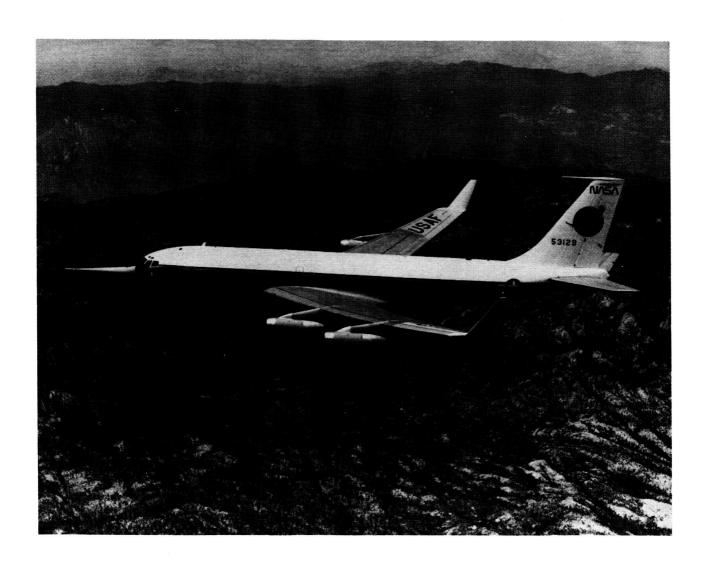


Figure 14. - Test airplane with winglets installed

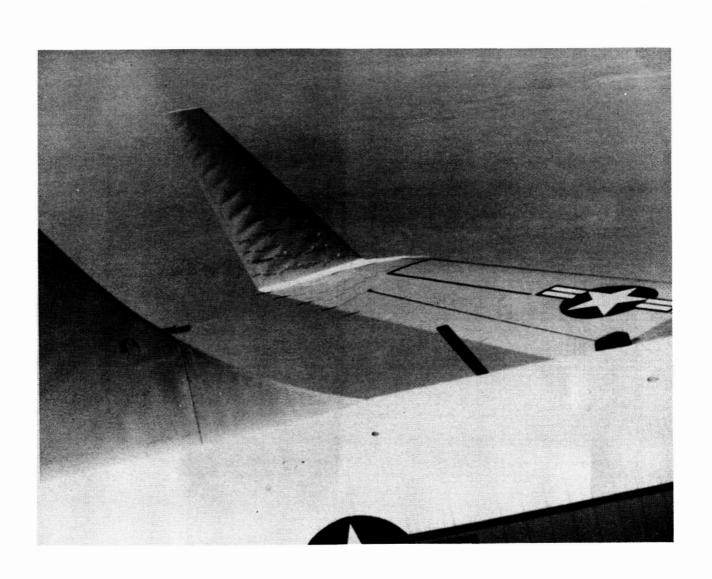


Figure 15. - Winglet inflight with skin "pillowing"

APPENDIX A

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TUDAY: 01/07/01 FLIGHT INSTRUMENTATION PARAMETER LIST REV: 0 DATE: 7/24/79

USUALLE: KC-135 WINGLET PROGRAM
FLT NO. G54 PROJ INSTR ENGR: GENE KENNER
SCHED FLT DATE: 12/24/80
TM FREQ: MHZ S/N
3CM SYS/COP NO. 1-01 FURNAT PO. 1
9CM SYS MODEL: RNDU

PCM BIT RATE: 125 KMZ
BITS/MURD1 1C
WURDS/FRAME: 64
FF/DATA CV: 10
FRT=BIT1=MSB
MAIN FRAME SYNC WURDS: 00 , 01 , 02

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FLIGHT INSTRUMENTATION PARAMETER LIST REV: D DATE: 7/24/79

VEHICLE: KC-135 WINGLET PRUGRAM PROJ INSTR. ENGR: GENF KENNER

SCHED FLT DATE: 12/24/80

TH FREQ: MH7 3/N
PCH SYS/COM NO. 1-G1 FJPMAT NO. 1
PCH SYS MODEL: RHOU

PCM BJT RATE: 125 KHZ BITS/WORD: WORDS/FRAME: FR/DATA CY: FRT=RIT1=MSB 10

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FLIGHT ANSTRUMENTATION PARAMET
VEMICLE: KC-135 WINGLET PROGRAM
FLT NO. 054
FLT NO. 054
FRO: WHZ S/N
PCM SYS/CJM NC. 1-01 FJPMAT NO. 1
PCM SYS HODEL! PROU PCM BIT PATE: 125 KMZ
BITS/MORD: 10
WORDS/FRAME: 64
FR/PATA CY: 10
FBT-BITI-MS8
MAIN FRAME SYNC WOPDS: 00 , C1 , 02

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VEHICLE: KC-135 WINGLET PHOGRAP

FLT NO. 354

SCHED FLT NATE: 12/24/83

TH FRED: HAT S/N

PCH SYS/CJP KC. 1-01 FJRHAT NO. 1

PCH SYS MUDEL: AMOU

PCM BIT RATE: 125 KHZ
BITS/MORD: 1C
WORDS/FRAME: 64
FR/CATA CY: 10
FRT-BIT1_MSB
MAIN FRAME SYNC WORDS: 00 , 01 ,

FARAMETERS AFFECTED : ITEM -----1_SEG. 2345678901234567890123456789012345678901234456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890

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VEHICLE: KC-135 WINGLET PROGRAM
FLT NO. 054 PROJ INSTR ENGR: GENE KENNER
SCHEP FLT DATE: 12/24/80 PROJ INSTR ENGR: GENE KENNER
TH FRED: MH7 S/N
PCM SYS/COM NO. 1-C1 FURMAT NO. 1
PCM SYS/COM NO. 1-C1 FURMAT NO. 1

PCM 81T RATE: 125 KHZ
81TS/WORD: 16
WORPS/FRAME: 64
FR/DATA CY: 10
F8T-BITI-MSB
MAIN FRAME SYNC WORDS: 00 , 01 .

| DIGITAL WORL INFORMATION: | PARAMETER | FRAMETER | FR PARAMETERS AFFECTED : ITEM I REMARKS 10 FTUTSF FUEL TOTALIZER ENG NO 3 41 1 256 128 64 32 16 8 4 2 FT9T4C 32768 16384 8191 4096 2048 1024 512 FUEL TOTALIZER FNG NO 4 42 2 FTOT4F FUEL TOTALIZER ENG NO 4 41 2 256 128 64 32 16 8 4 2 OPRO1C PROP REF PRESS 2**19 2**18 2**17 2**16 2**15 2**11 2**11 2**10 2**09 2**09 2**00 2**00 2**05 2**05 2**05 42 10 1 2 3 4 5 6 OPRO1+ PROF REE PHESS 41 3

PCH BIT PATE: 125 KHZ BITS/WCRD: 10 WCRDS/FRAME: 64 FR/CATA CY: 10 FR/CATA CY: 10
FBT-RIT1-MSP
MAIN FPAME SYNC WORDS: 00 , 01 .

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VEHICLE: KC-135 WINGLET PHOSPAM
FLT NO. 054
SCHED PLT CATE: 12/24/8)
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FOR SYS/CJH NO. 1-01 FURPAT NJ. 1
FOR SYS/CJH NO. 1-01 FURPAT NJ. 1 2**03 2**02 2**01 2**00 4096 2048 1624 512 1.0 ٧Ţ AIRSPEFD VIF AIPSPEED 256 128 64 32 16 8 4 2**10 2**17 2**17 2**16 2**14 2**14 2**11 2**10 2**10 2**00 2**05 2**05 2**05 2**07 2**01 CROSSN CHOSS WEIGHT CAMALLE COARSEL GRUSSME CHOUS WEIGHT (AWALLG FINE) WEDTS CHOSS WEIGHT (DIS CHARLE)

TTDAY: 01/67/91 FLIGHT INSTRUMENTATION PARAMETER LIST REV: D PATE: 7/24/79

REVIO DE TATEL 7/24/79
VEHICLE: KC-135 JINGLET PROGRAP
FLT NO. J54 PROJ INSTR ENGRI GENE KENNER
SOMED FLT DATE: 12/24/80
TM FREQ: MAT S/N
PCM SYS/JOB NO. 1-01 FJFMAT NO. 1
PCM SYS MODEL: RMDU PCM RIT RATE: 125 KHZ RITS/bORD: 10 WORRS/FRAME: 64 FR/CATA CY: 10 FBT-RIT1-MSB

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KC-135 WING AND WINGLET FLIGHT PRESSURE DISTRIBUTIONS, LOADS, AND WING DEFLECTION RESULTS WITH SOME WIND TUNNEL COMPARISONS

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SUMMARY

A full-scale winglet flight test on a KC-135 airplane with an upper winglet was conducted in a joint NASA/USAF flight project. Data were taken at Mach numbers from 0.70 to 0.82 at altitudes from 34,000 feet to 39,000 feet at stabilized flight conditions for wing/winglet configurations of basic wing tip, $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$, $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$, and $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ winglet cant/incidence.

An analysis of selected pressure distribution and data showed that with the basic wing tip, the flight and wind tunnel wing pressure distribution data showed good agreement. With winglets installed, the effects on the wing pressure distribution were mainly near the tip. Also, the flight and wind tunnel winglet pressure distributions had some significant differences primarily due to the "oilcanning" in flight. However, in general, the agreement was good.

For the winglet cant and incidence configuration presented, the incidence had the largest effect on the winglet pressure distributions.

The incremental flight wing deflection data showed that the semispan wind tunnel model did a reasonable job of simulating the aeroelastic effects at the wing tip.

The flight loads data showed good agreement with predictions at the design point and also substantiated the predicted structural penalty (load increase) of the 15° cant/-2° incidence winglet configuration.

INTRODUCTION

The NASA Langley Research Center has conducted extensive experimental wind tunnel investigations on the effects of winglets on jet transports at various subsonic Mach numbers, references 1 through 8. Winglets, as described in reference 1, have shown significant performance improvements on the KC-135 airplane. To confirm these wind tunnel predictions, a joint NASA/USAF full-scale winglet flight evaluation on a KC-135 was conducted at the NASA Dryden Flight Research Center. The flight measurements consisted of total airplane lift and drag, loads, buffet, stability and control, range factor, and wing/winglet pressure distributions. These measurements were taken with the winglets on and off for various winglet cant and incident angles to determine the incremental effect of winglets on the airplane performance.

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This paper presents selected wing and winglet pressure distributions, loads and wing deflection results with some wind tunnel comparisons. The data presented are for Mach numbers of 0.70, 0.78, 0.80 and 0.82 for altitudes between 34,000 feet to 39,000 feet. The configuration tested in flight consisted of the basic wingtip (winglets off) and wing/winglet with winglet variations of cant/incidence of $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$, $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$, and $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$. The design conditions for this study are the 15° cant/ -4° incidence winglet configuration at a Mach number of 0.78 and lift coefficient of 0.42.

SYMBOLS

b¹	Exposed Semispan of Wing with Basic Tip, 55.2 ft
С	Local Chord
c	Mean Geometric Chord of Exposed Basic Wing, 18.73 ft
c av	Average Chord of Exposed Basic Wing, s/b', 17.52 ft
c _L	Lift Coefficient
c n	Section Normal-Force Coefficient, Integration of Pressure Measurements
c n A	Airplane Normal Force Coefficient
C p	Pressure Coefficient, $(P_{\ell}, -P_{\infty})/q_{\infty}$
g	Gravitational Acceleration, ft/sec 2
i	Incidence of Winglet Measured from Free-Stream Direction, Positive with Leading Edge Inward for Upper Winglet, deg (see figure 3).
$^{ m M}_{\infty}$	Free-Stream Mach Number
P _d	Differential Static Pressure, psi
Pl	Local Static Pressure, psi
Pr	Reference Static Pressure, psi
P_{∞}	Free-Stream Static Pressure, psf
$ extbf{q}_{\infty}$	Free-Stream Dynamic Pressure, psf
R	Reynolds Number per Unit Length, per ft
w/S	Airplane Weight Divided by Ratio of Pressure at Test Altitude to Standard Sea Level Pressure

Chordwise Distance from Leading Edge, Positive Aft

Y Spanwise Distance from Wing-Fuselage Juncture, Positive Outboard

Vertical Coordinate of Airfoil

Distance Along Winglet Span from Chord Plane of Wing, in.

Angle of Attack, deg

SUBSCRIPT

Exposed Wing Semispan Station (based on basic-wing panel), y/b'

basic Reference Configuration, Basic Wing Tip

ABBREVIATION

L.S. Lower SurfaceU.S. Upper SurfaceG.W. Gross Weight

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B.M. Bending Moment

AIRPLANE DESCRIPTION

A Boeing KC-135 airplane, figure 1, with modified outboard wing panels was used for this study. The modifications were primarily to the internal structure near the wing tips for installing the winglets with the capability to allow winglet cant/incidence changes on the ground. Provisions were also made so that a "basic" KC-135 wing tip configuration with the winglets removed could be installed.

The other major aerodynamic differences from a standard KC-135 was the addition of the nose boom for obtaining airspeed and flow direction, and the absence of the refueling boom.

<u>Wing</u>. The basic wing is a typical first generation transport configuration with a quarter-chord sweep of 35°, 7° dihedral and 2° of incidence at the root chord. The wing has no geometric twist and the thickness varies nonlinearly from 15 percent at the wing-fuselage juncture to 9 percent at the trailing edge break and then remains constant at 9 percent to the wing tip. A typical outboard wing airfoil section is shown in figure 2 with the coordinates presented in table I.

<u>Winglets</u>. The winglet configuration used in this investigation is presented in figure 3. The winglets employed an 8-percent-thick general aviation airfoil. Winglet airfoil coordinates are presented in table II.

The winglet has a span approximately equal to the wing tip chord, a root chord equal to about 65 percent of the wing tip chord, a leading-edge sweep of 38°, a taper ratio of 0.32, and an aspect ratio of 2.33. The planform area of the upper winglet is 3.8 percent of the exposed trapezoidal planform area of the basic wing. The upper winglet is canted outboard 15° from vertical (75° dihedral) and incidence (toed out) of 4° (leading edge outboard) relative to the fuselage center line. The upper winglet is untwisted and therefore has constant negative geometric incidence across its span. The "upper surface" of the upper winglet is the inboard surface. This geometry was derived from the wind-tunnel model coordinates with the exception of some slight wing/winglet juncture fairing differences which result from the method used to allow cant/incidence variations for the flight test.

TEST CONDITIONS

Flight data were obtained over a range of angles of attack at speeds from Mach 0.70 to Mach 0.82, for altitudes between 34,000 feet to 39,000 feet and dynamic pressures from about 129 psf to 240 psf. All the wing and winglet pressure data presented were taken at steady state trim conditions. The loads data are for cruise conditions and ± 0.5 g roller coaster maneuvers from trim conditions.

INSTRUMENTATION

Wing/Winglet Pressures. The flight wing/winglet pressure measurements were obtained on the right side from seven rows of orifices on the top and bottom surface at the span stations and locations shown in figure 4. Both the span and chordwise location of the orifices were essentially the same as the wind-tunnel model of reference 5.

All the wing orifices except the leading-edge orifices were externally mounted using the method similar to that found in reference 9. The external tubing size was 3/16 inch A.D. multibore (strip-a-tubing) tubing. All the winglet orifices were flush mounted with an inside diameter of 1/8 inch.

The wing/winglet pressures were transmitted to instrument bays, where the pressures were measured with scanivalves. The locations were chosen so that the pressure sensors could be as close as practical to the orifices.

Differential transducers were used on all scanivalves and referenced to a compartment source which was measured by precision absolute pressure transducer.

<u>Wing Deflection Measurement</u>. A medium format camera was mounted on the fuselage door looking out over the right wing upper surface toward the tip, figure 5. Two deflection targets were installed at the wing tip with reference

targets installed on the inboard portion of the wing to establish a plane from which the flight deflections were measured.

Wing/Winglet Load and Stress. The load and stress stations where strain gages were installed are shown in figure 6. The winglet, wing-winglet intersection, and outboard wing station gages were installed during the wing tip modification and after construction. These gages were calibrated for loads measurements during proof tests. The wing root station gages were installed chordwise on both the upper and lower surfaces strictly for stress measurements.

Air Data. Air data measurements were obtained from a standard NACA airspeed head mounted on the nose boom. The airspeed system was calibrated using the techniques described in reference 10. Flow direction was obtained from a flight path accelerometer (F.P.A.) system (reference 11), also mounted on the nose boom aft of the NACA head.

Accuracy. The pressure range for the scanivalve transducers was scaled on the basis of the wind tunnel pressure coefficients for flight conditions near the winglet design of Mach 0.78 and altitude of 35,000 feet. The scanivalve zero pressure differential was checked during each flight by connecting both sides of the differential transducer to the same pressure.

The average error in C_p based on the flight data was determined to be about 0.01, which is similar to that of the wind tunnel data.

The estimated error in each of the following measurements at M = 0.78 and at 35,000 feet altitude is as follows:

P _d , psi	±0.6
P _r , psi	±0.3
P_{∞} , psf	±0.02
M_{∞}	±0.01
α	±0.25°
q_, psf	±0.08

For the loads and stress measurements presented in this paper, the estimated accuracies are as follows:

Location	Type	Accuracy
Wing-Winglet Juncture	Bending	±6%
Outboard Wing	Bending	±2%
Wing Root	Stress	±250 psi

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The discussion presented herein will be limited to a few cases which are considered generally representative of the trends for the various configurations tested. Comparisons with wind tunnel results are also included for the $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ winglet cant/incidence configuration.

In figure 7, flight and wind tunnel pressure coefficient data are presented for the basic wing tip configuration. In general, the comparisons show good agreement at all four wing span stations, Mach numbers, and angles of attack. Some small differences do exist at some locations and test conditions which, in part, could be attributed to the airplane surface conditions and externally mounted orifices.

Figure 8 presents flight and wind tunnel wing and winglet pressure distributions comparisons for the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration. The wing pressure distributions comparisons, in general, show good agreement at all span stations and test conditions, while the winglet data have some significant differences. At semispan station 1.01 the main differences between flight and wind tunnel occur on the upper surface near the leading edge at all test conditions. These large differences at the leading edge are attributed to "oilcanning" (skin deflections) which occurred in flight. Observations of the "oilcanning" during flight showed that the existence of a large "oilcan" occurred in this region. A photograph of the "oilcanning" on the left winglet is shown in figure 9.

At semispan stations 1.03 and 1.05 the winglet flight and wind tunnel data in figure 8 generally show good agreement for the lower surface while the flight upper surface data tend to be more positive on the forward chord regions and more negative on the aft portion. These differences are in part attributed to the "oilcanning"; however, the trends and levels show good agreement.

In figure 10, flight wing pressure distributions for the basic wing tip and with the 15° cant/ -4° incidence winglet configuration are presented. The data show that at all test conditions the effects of the winglet on the wing pressure distributions are mainly at the wing tip upper surface (semispan station 0.99). At this span station, the wing upper surface pressure distributions with the winglet tend to be more negative on the aft region with good trailing edge pressure recovery. The more negative pressure coefficients begin at about X/C = 0.4 which is where the winglet leading edge intersects the wing upper surface. These results are similar to those predicted by the wind tunnel data of reference 5. The other wing semispan stations (0.26, 0.77, and 0.92) along with the lower surface of semispan station 0.99 in general do not show significant effects due to the winglet.

Figure 11 presents wing tip and winglet pressure distribution comparisons for the $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$, $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$, and $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ winglet cant/incident configurations. The wing tip data (n - 0.99) in general show good agreement except for the 15° cant/-2° incidence data which have slightly more negative coefficients on the upper surface at the higher Mach numbers.

The winglet pressure distributions in figure 11 show that $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ and $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ data generally agree while the $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$ data tend to be more negative on forward portion of the upper surface and more positive on the lower surface. This indicates that for the test conditions presented, the winglet incidence had a stronger effect on the pressure distribution than did cant.

Wing and winglet flight and wind tunnel span load distributions for the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration are presented in figure 12. Some differences exist at some of the test conditions presented. These differences are due to the airplane surface conditions; i.e., externally mounted pressure

tubing for the wing flight data and winglet "oilcanning," and the method used in the model construction to get the proper outboard wing deflections. With the above taken into account, agreement is considered good.

Figure 13 presents schematics of both the construction method used in the semispan model of reference 5, to get the predicted wing tip deflections along with the type of deflections which would be expected in actual flight and from the model. As is shown, the model deflections occur primarily outboard of the fill area while the actual flight deflections occur more uniformly throughout the span; although the total wing tip deflection may be similar. Therefore the wing span loads as shown in figure 12 may differ due to this effect.

Flight and wind tunnel measured deflections at the design cruise Mach number of 0.78 are compared in figure 14 for the winglets off and 15° cant/-4° incidence configurations. Because of the different reference planes, comparisons of absolute deflection cannot be made. However, comparing the incremental deflection from winglets off to 15° cant/-4° incidence at a given $C_{\rm L}$, the wind tunnel and flight data are fairly close. The increment for the flight data appears to be slightly higher than the wind tunnel increment. From this and other data, the overall assessment is that the flexible wind tunnel model did a reasonable job of simulating the aeroelastic effects at the wing tip where it is important to get the winglet in the right environment.

The overall character of the winglet loading is shown in figure 15 where the center of pressure location outboard of the load station is plotted for the $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$ and $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ configurations. The data were obtained from $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{g}$ roller coaster maneuvers performed at the 0.78 design Mach number. Of particular note is the fairly aft chordwise locations, especially at the lower angle-of-attack points.

The effective center of pressure location for the total outboard wing loads is shown in figure 16 for the same maneuvers. The load penalty at this station for both winglet configurations is quite evident from the outboard shift in center of pressure. It is also interesting to note that for all three configurations the chordwise center of pressure remains virtually unchanged, with the data centering around the elastic (torque) axis.

In figure 17 the flight measured winglet intersection bending moment, as a function of airplane normal force coefficient, is compared with Boeing aero-elastic prediction data at the design test condition. The airload at 1g for the 15° cant/-2° incidence winglet configuration is about 34 percent higher than the 15° /-4° configuration, indicating the desirability of the 15° /-4° configuration. A comparison of the flight data with the predicted data shows good agreement at the 1g condition, but predictions are somewhat higher than flight data at the 1.5g condition.

The flight measured bending moment at the outboard wing station, as a function of airplane normal force coefficient, is shown in figure 18 for the design test condition. At 1g, the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration shows a 32 percent increase in airload over the basic wing while the 15°/-2° configuration exceeds the basic wing by 50 percent. Comparison between the measured flight loads and the Boeing predicted data is considered quite good at both 1g and 1.5g.

The flight measured bending stress distribution at the wing root station is shown in figure 19 for the design cruise condition at 1g. As predicted from the flexible wind tunnel tests, the flight data for the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration show only a slight increase compared to the basic wing without winglets. The average stress increment is approximately 2.5 percent.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

A full scale winglet flight program on a KC-135 airplane with an upper winglet was conducted. An analysis of selected wing and winglet pressure distribution data for the basic wing tip, $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$, $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$, and $0^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ winglet cant/incident configurations indicated the following:

- 1. The flight wing pressure distributions with the basic tip in general showed good agreement with the wind tunnel data.
- 2. Winglet configuration effects on the wing pressure distribution were mainly near the wing tip. The winglet made the aft upper surface pressure distributions more negative.
- 3. The flight and wind tunnel winglet pressure distributions had some significant differences primarily due to the "oilcanning" (skin deflections) in flight; however, in general the agreement was good.
- 4. For the winglet cant and incidence configurations presented the incidence had the largest effect on the winglet pressure distributions.

Also, the loads and deflection data showed the following:

- 5. The incremental flight wing deflection data showed that the semispan wind tunnel model did a reasonable job of simulating the aeroelastic effects at the wing tip.
- 6. At the design conditions the flight loads agreed with predictions.
- 7. The flight loads substantiated the predicted structural penalty (load increase) of the 15° cant/-2° incidence winglet configuration.

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TABLE I. - COORDINATES OF TYPICAL OUTBOARD WING SECTION

Wing Section at 2° Incidence				
Upper Surface		Lower Surface		
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.0022	.0056	.0035	0063	
.0034	.0071	.0061	0073	
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.9920	0308			
1.0001	0347			

TABLE II. - AIRFOIL COORDINATES FOR WINGLETS

	z/c	z/c for -		
x /c	Upper Surface	Lower Surface		
0	0	0		
.0020	.0077	0032		
.0050	.0119	0041		
.0125	.0179	0060		
.0250	.0249	0077		
.0375	.0296	0090		
.0500	.0333	0100		
.0750	.0389	0118		
.1000	.0433	0132		
.1250	.0469	0144		
.1500	.0499	0154		
.1750	.0525	0161		
.2000	.0547	0167		
.2500	.0547	0175		
.3000	.0605			
.3500	1	0175		
.4000	.0621	0174		
	.0628	0168		
.4500	.0627	0158		
.5000	.0618	0144		
.5500	.0599	0122		
.5750	.0587	0106		
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.6250	.0554	0071		
.6500	.0533	- .0053		
.6750	.0508	0033		
.7000	.0481	0015		
.7250	.0451	.0004		
.7500	.0419	.0020		
. 7750	.0384	.0036		
.8000	.0349	.0049		
.8250	.0311	.0060		
.8500	.0270	.0065		
.8750	.0228	.0064		
.9000	.0184	.0059		
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.9500	.0089	.0021		
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Figure 1. - Inflight photograph of KC-135 with winglets:



Figure 2. - Typical outboard wing airfoil section

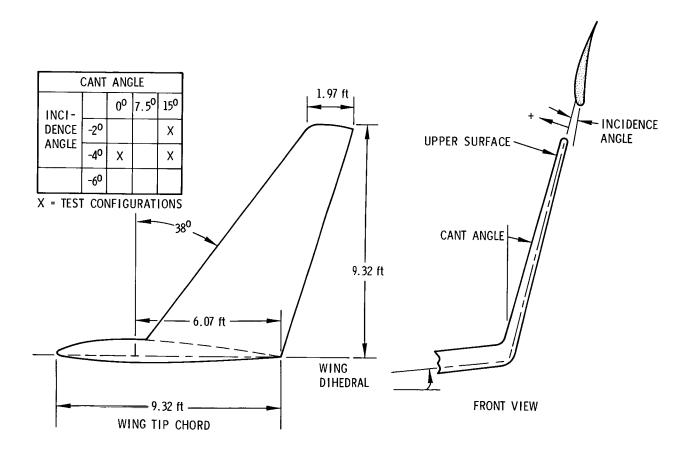


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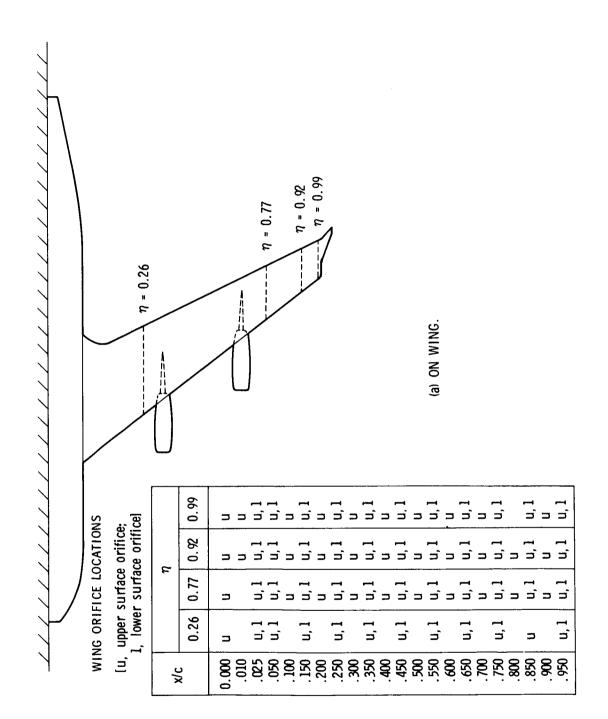


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(b) ON WINGLETS.

Figure 5. - Schematic of flight wing deflection camera and wing targets

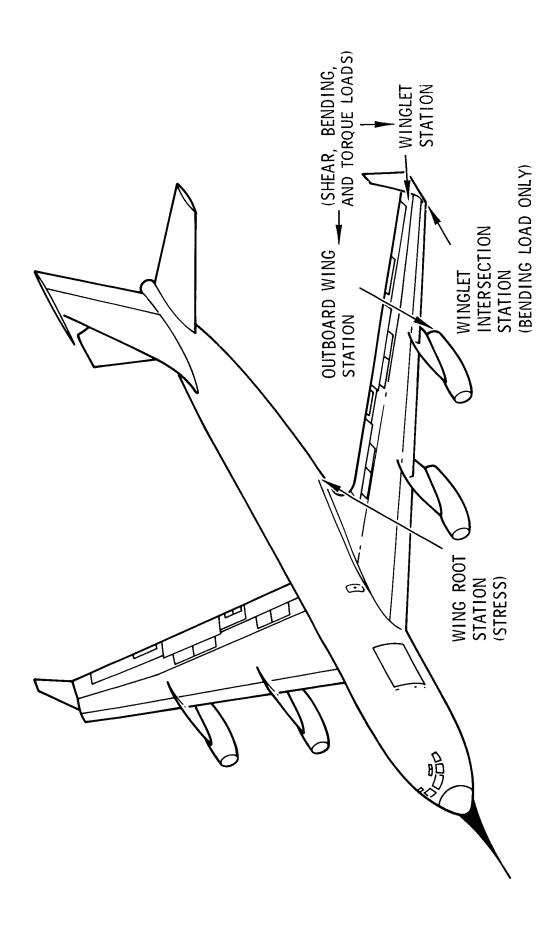


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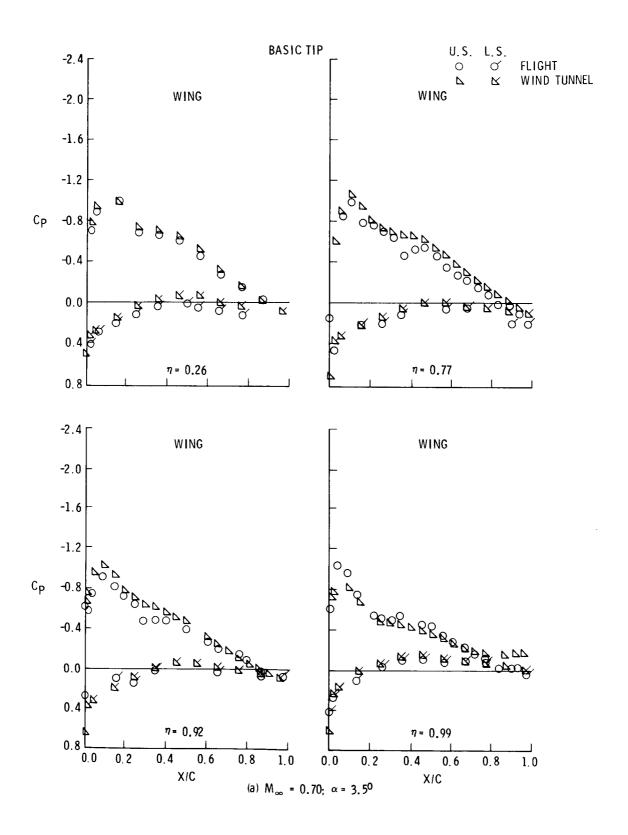


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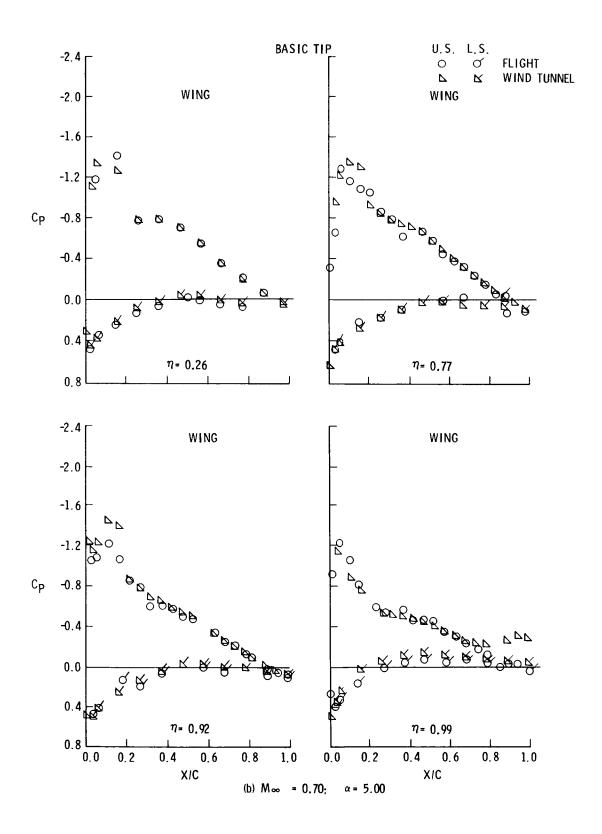


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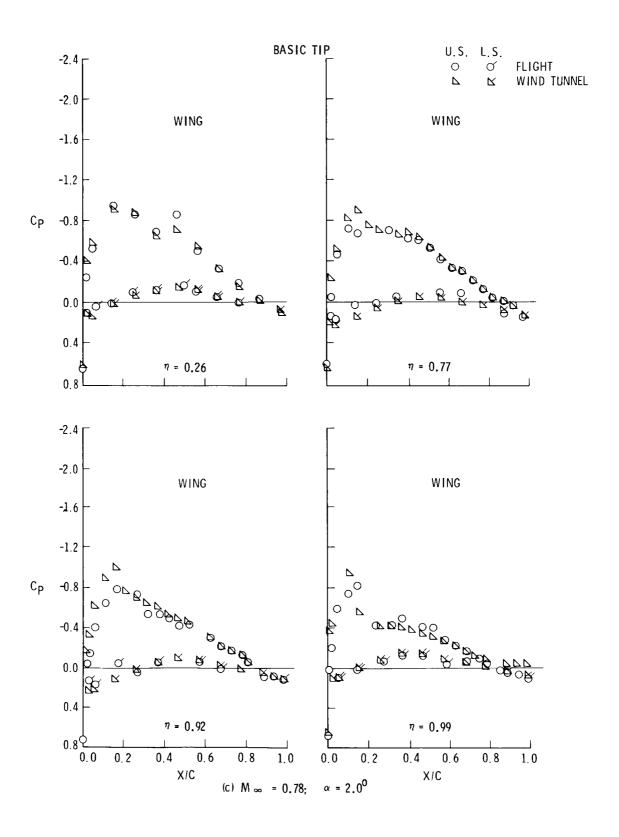


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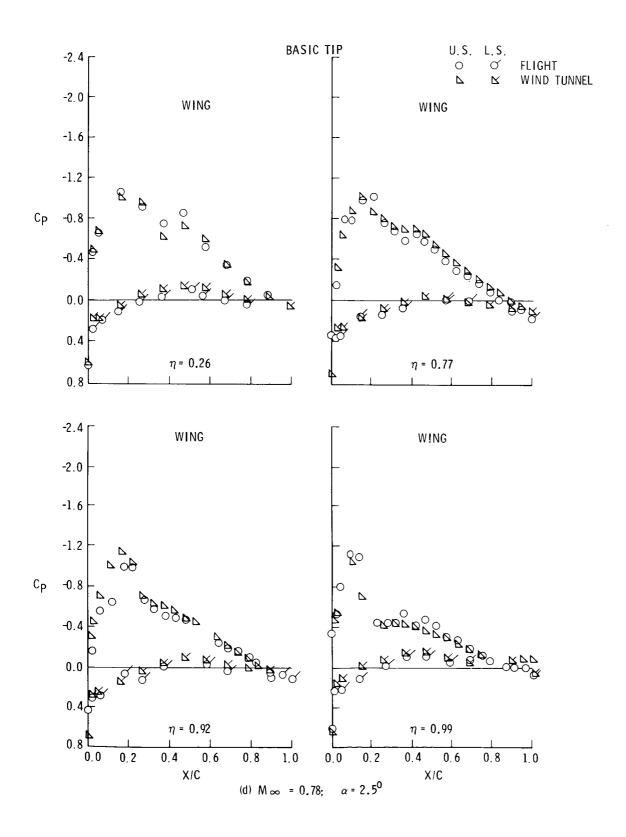


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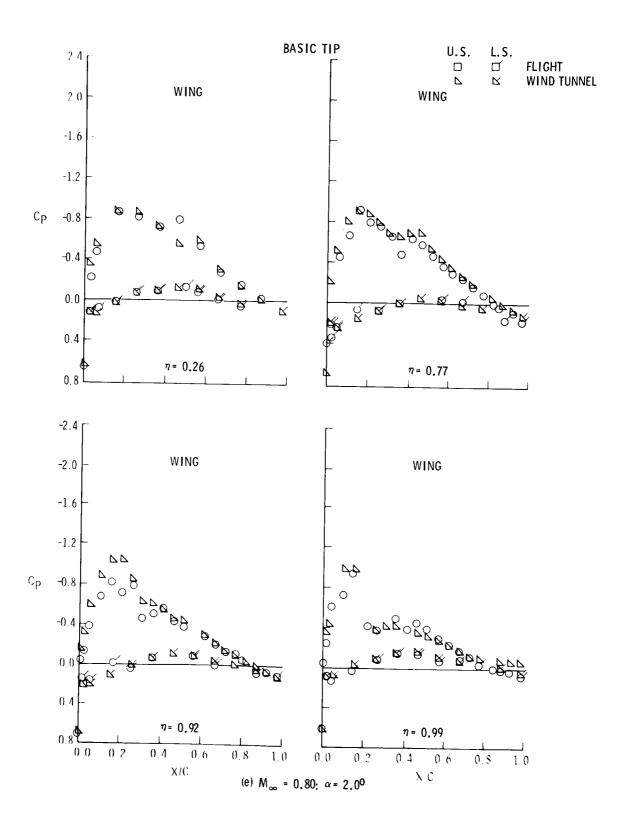


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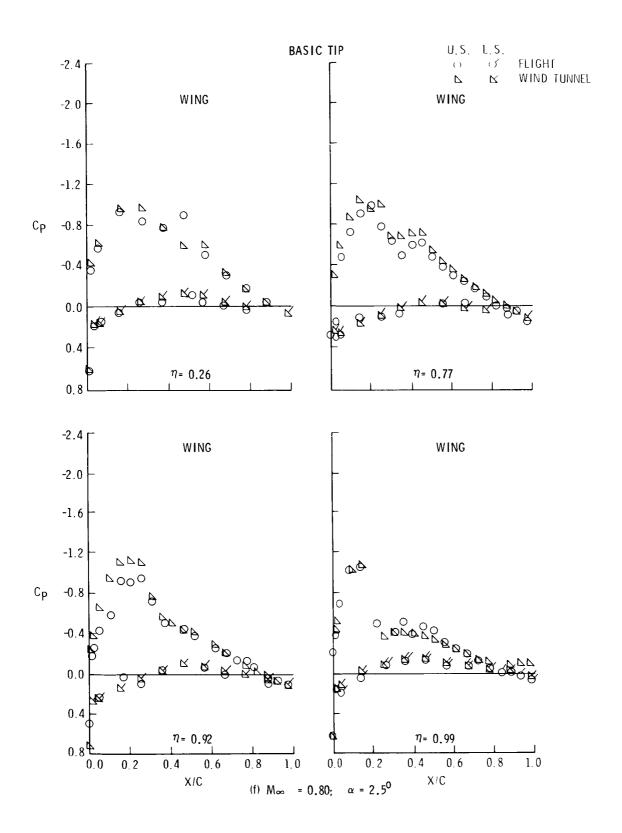


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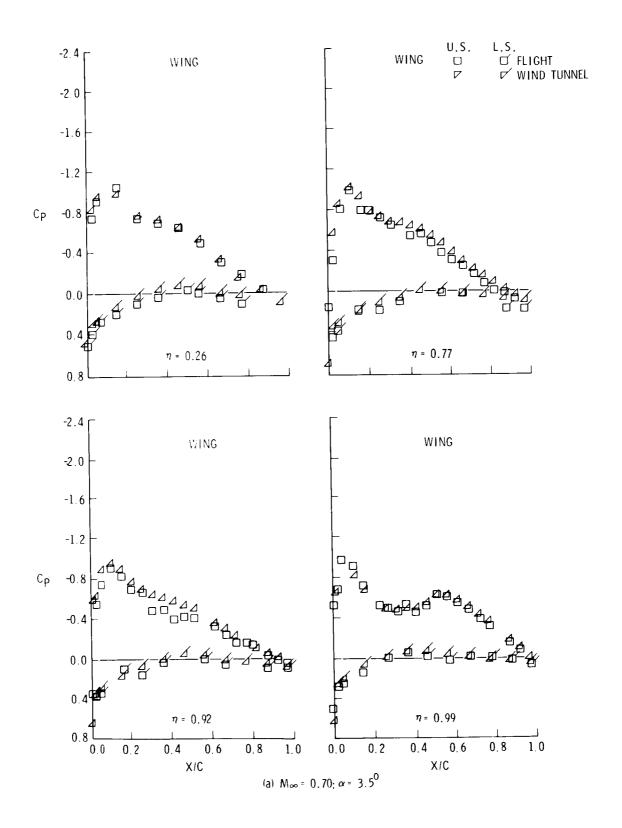


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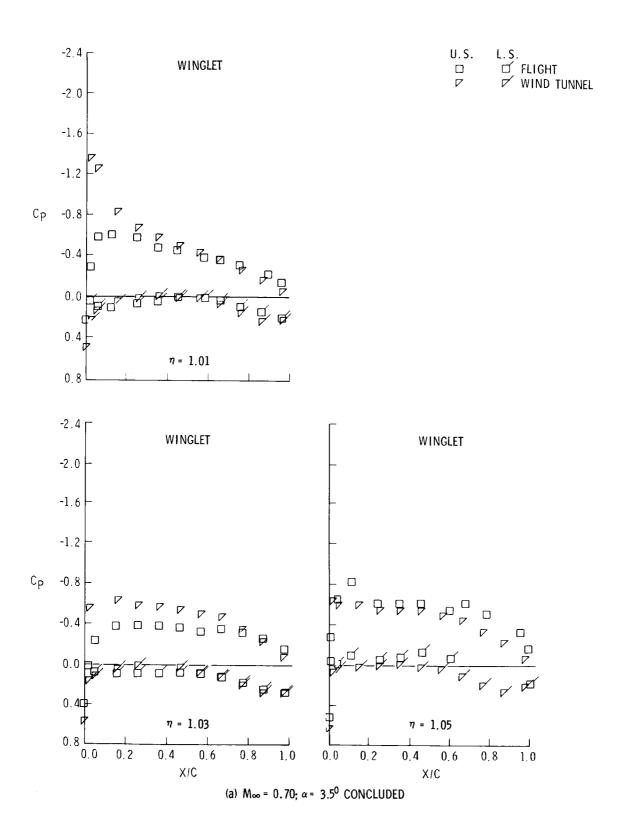


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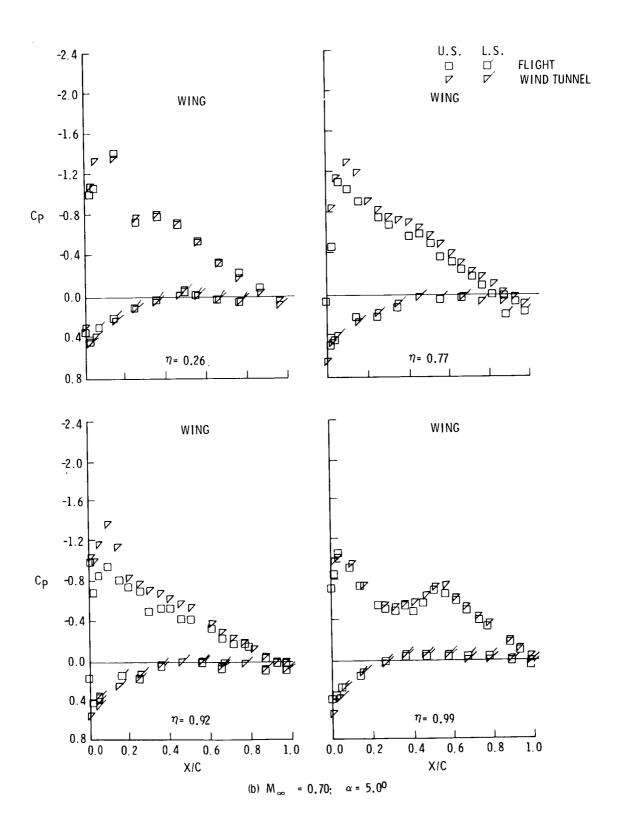


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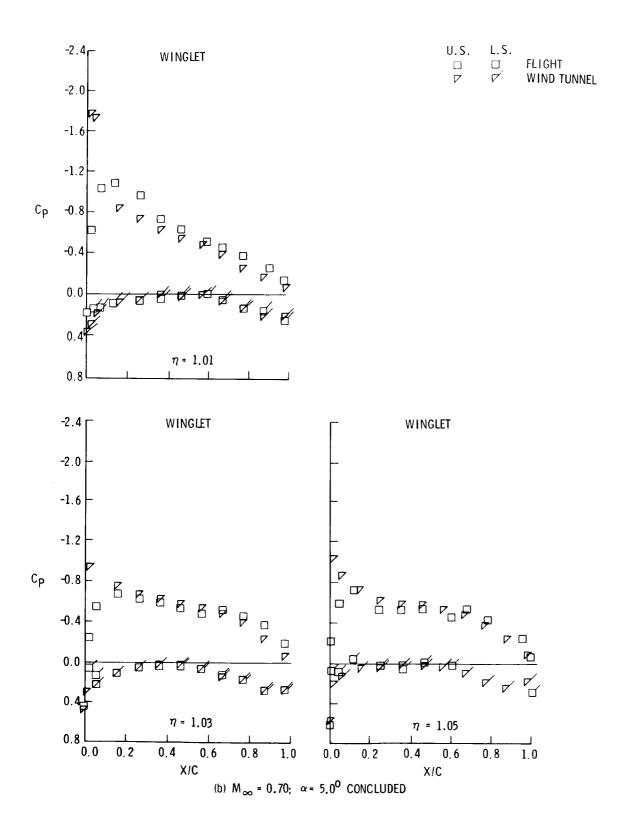


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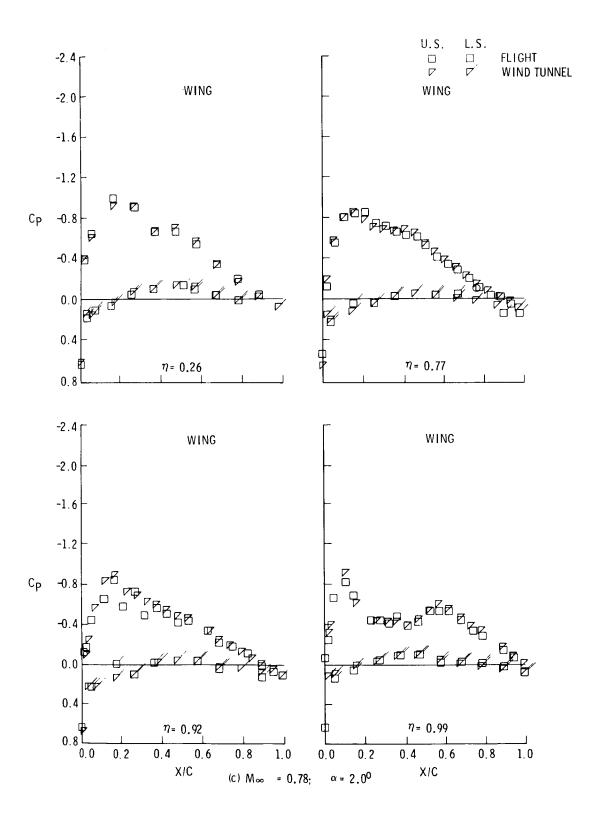


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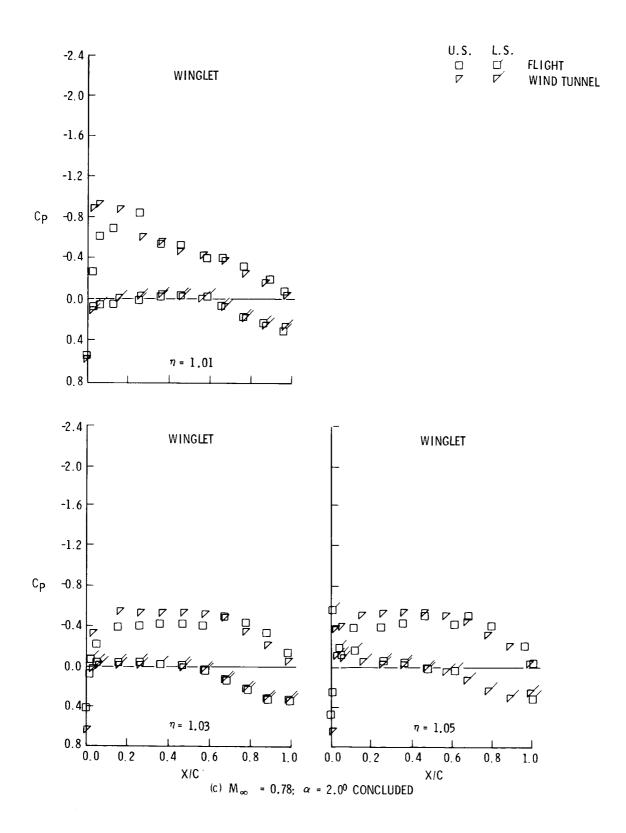


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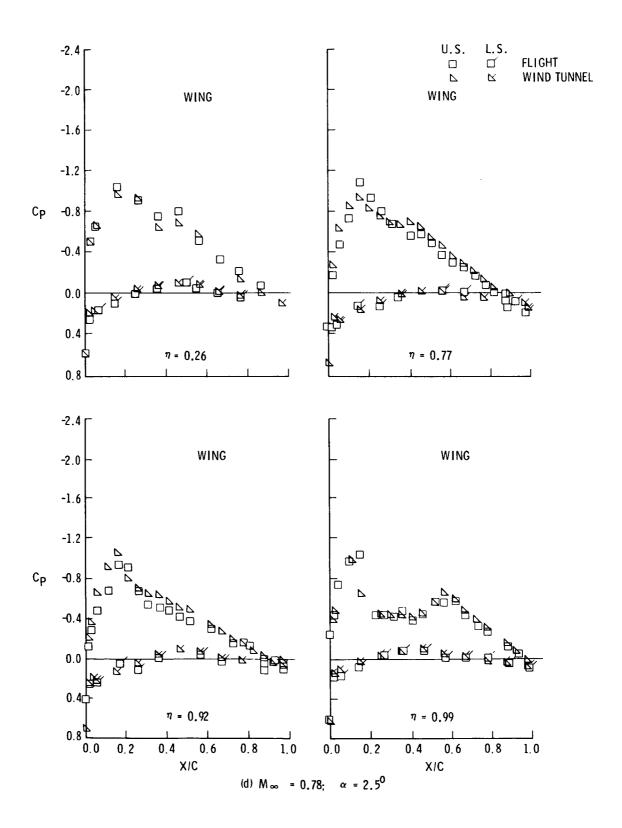


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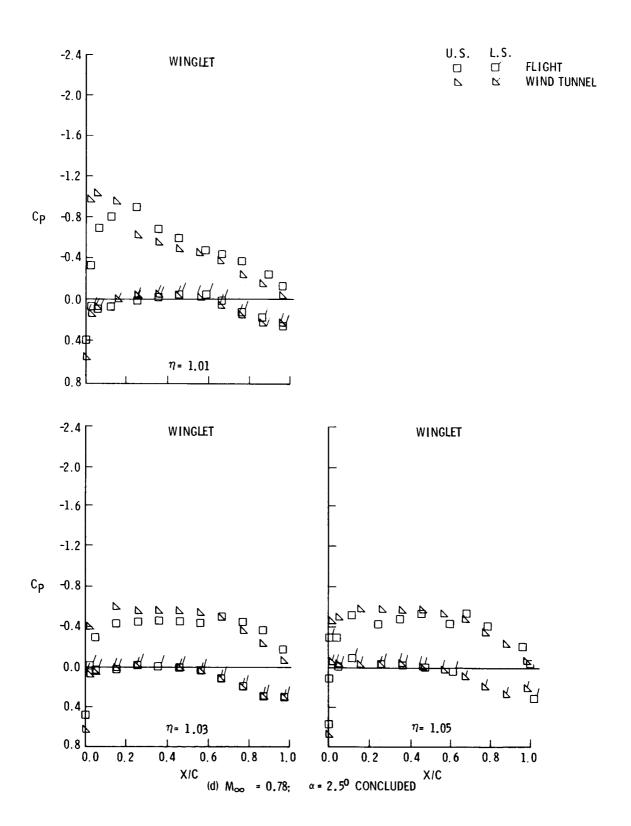


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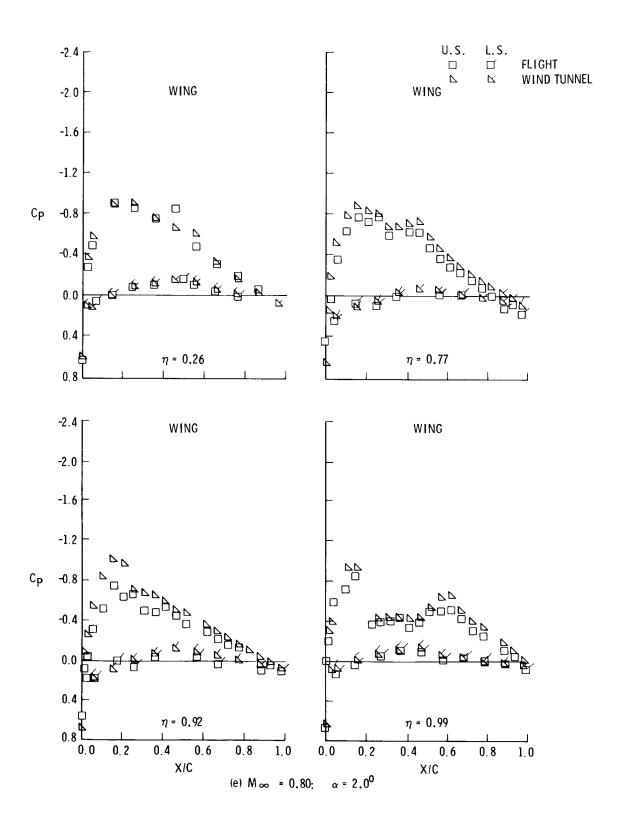


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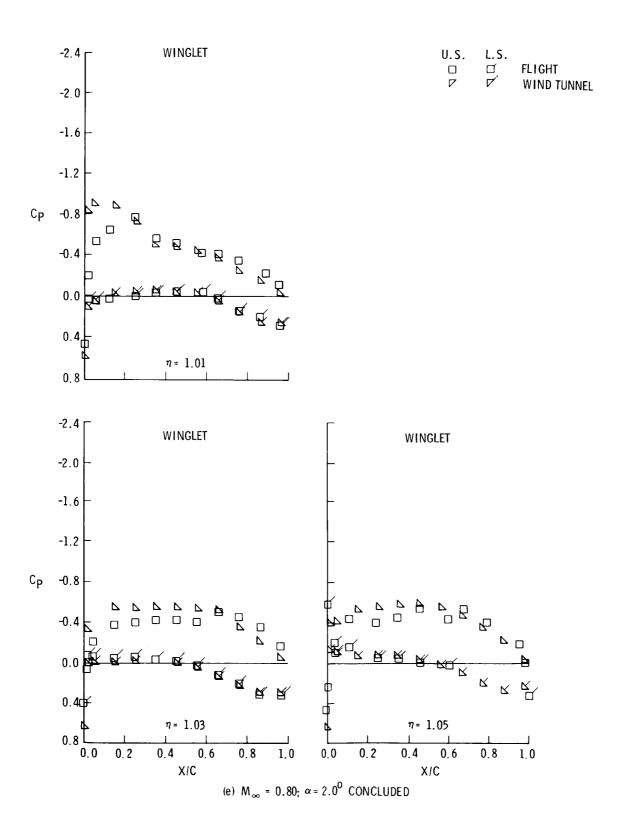


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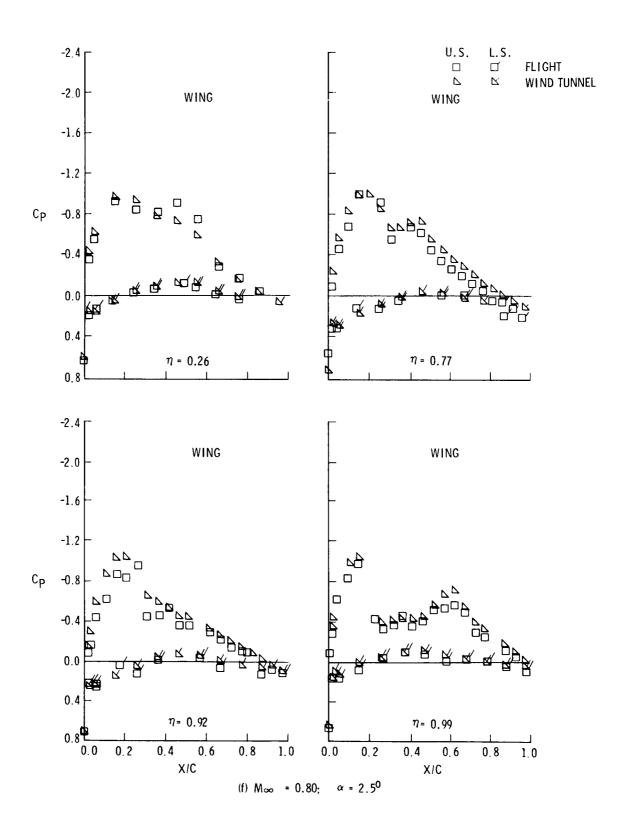


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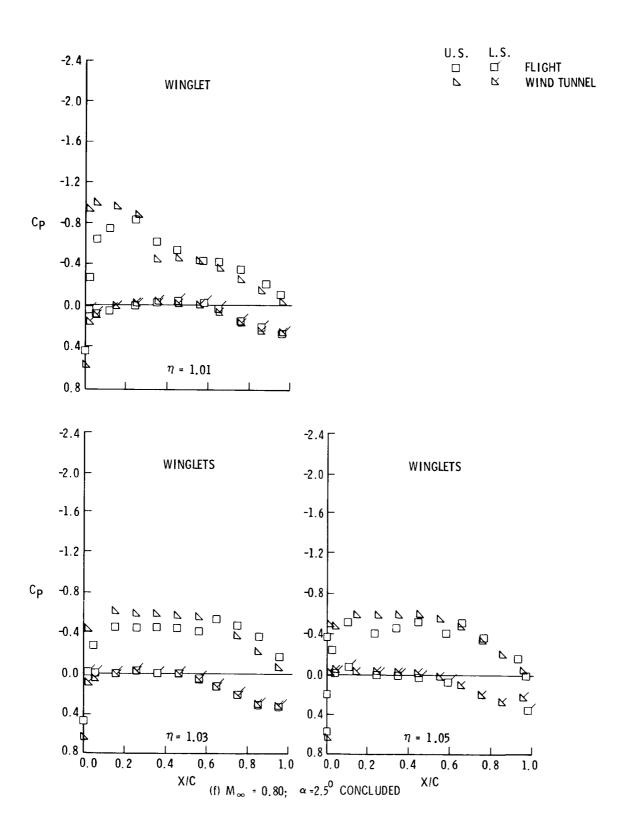


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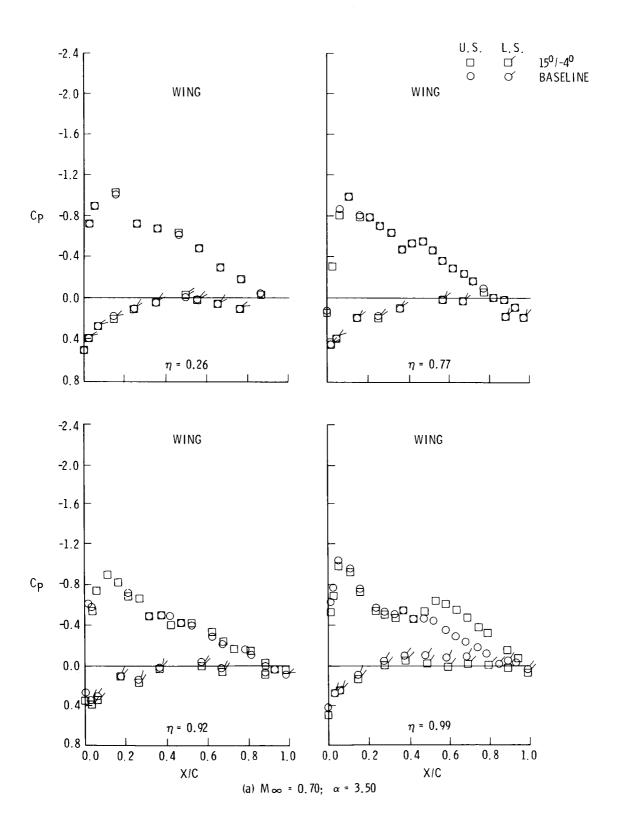


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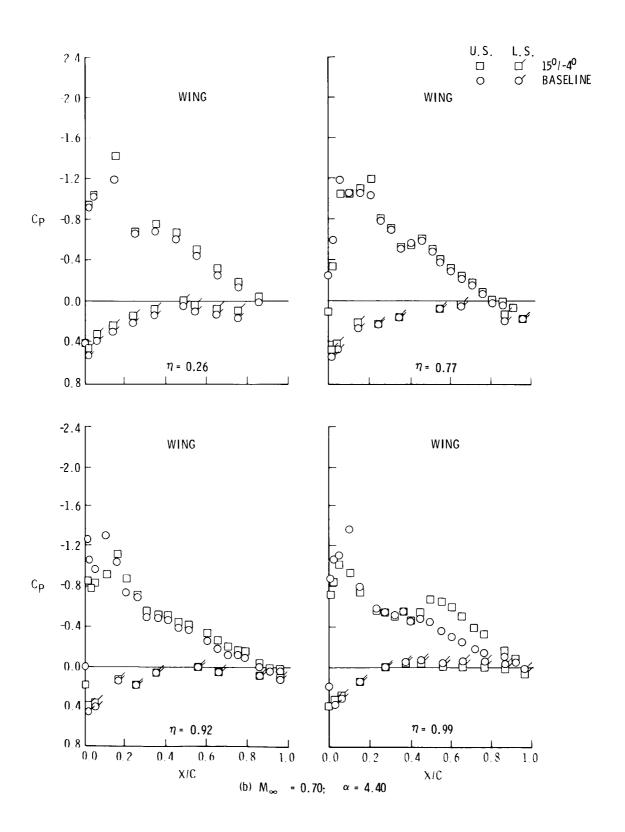


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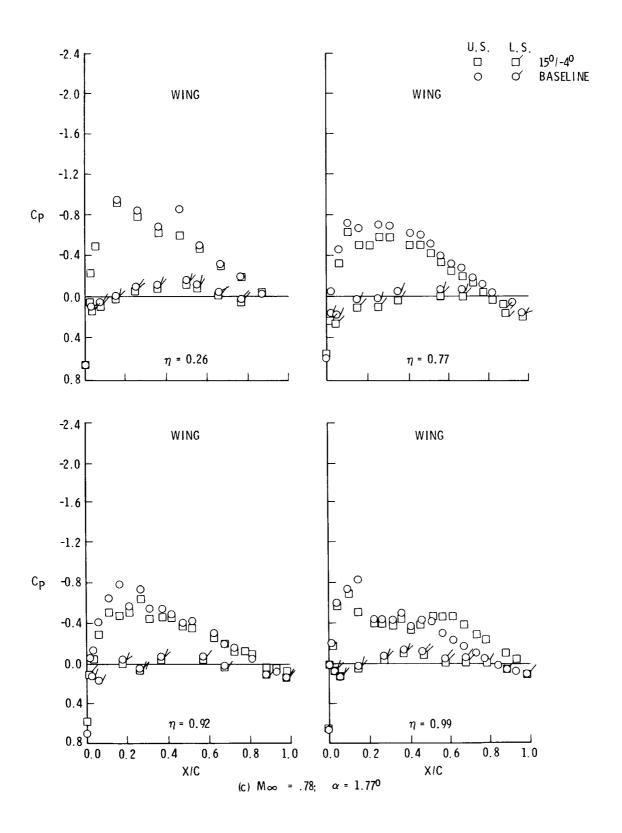


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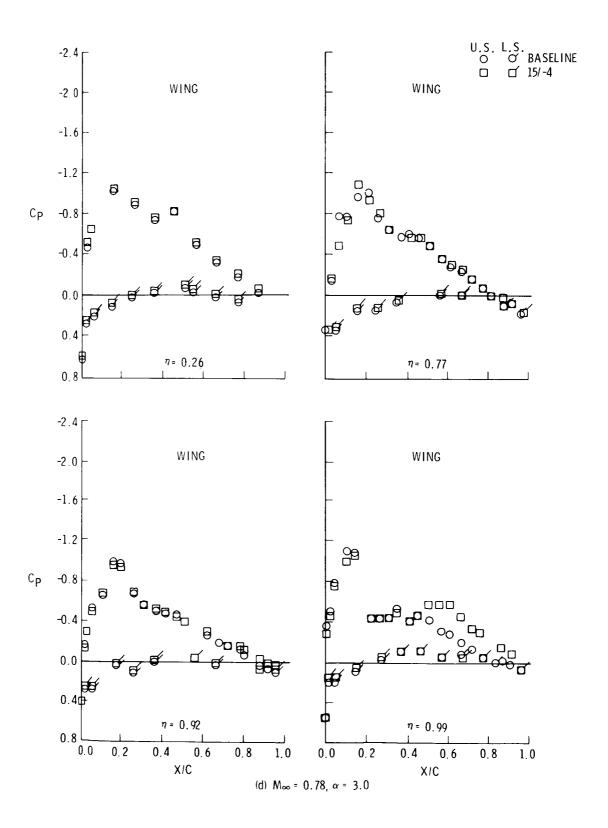


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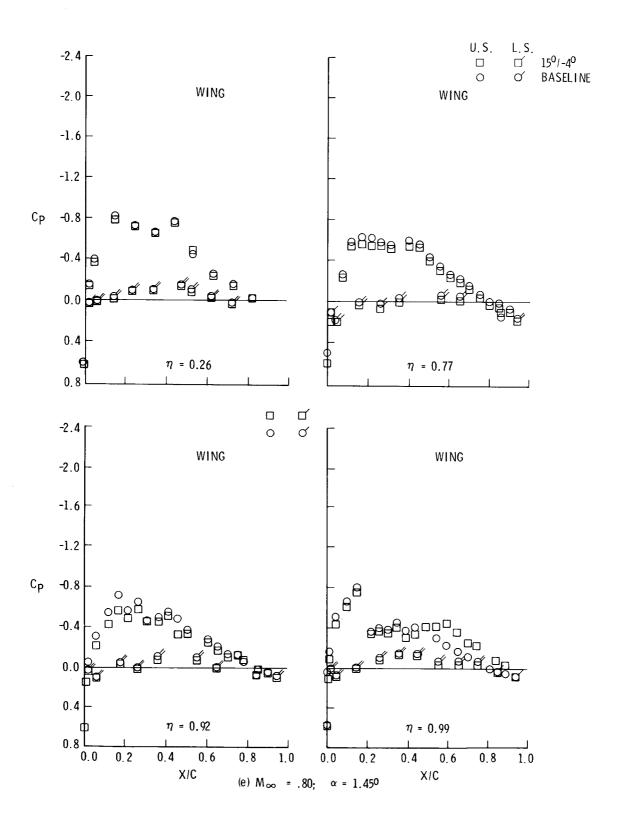


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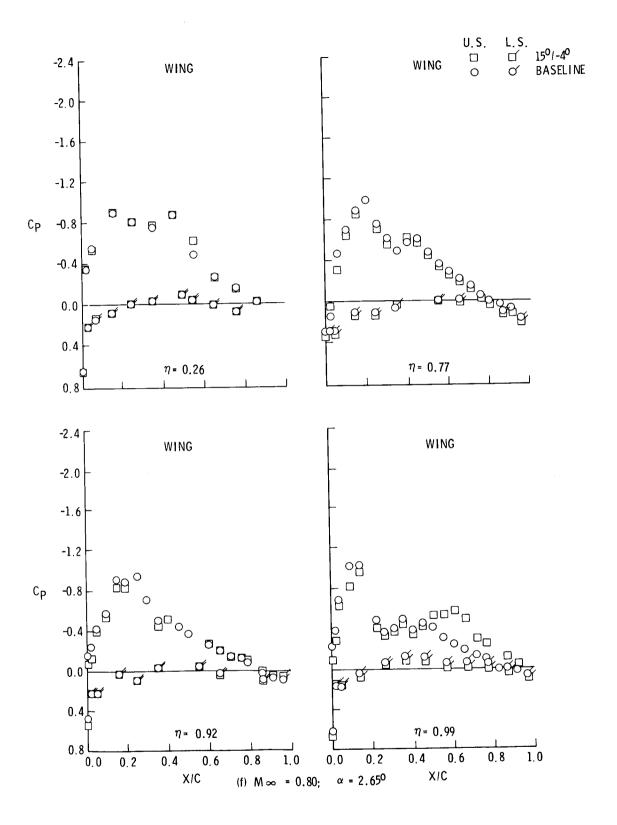


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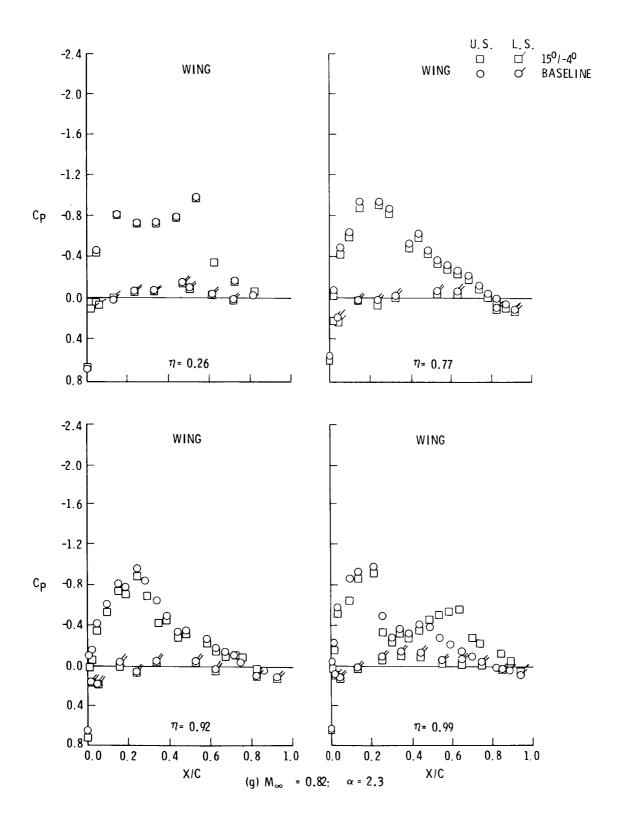


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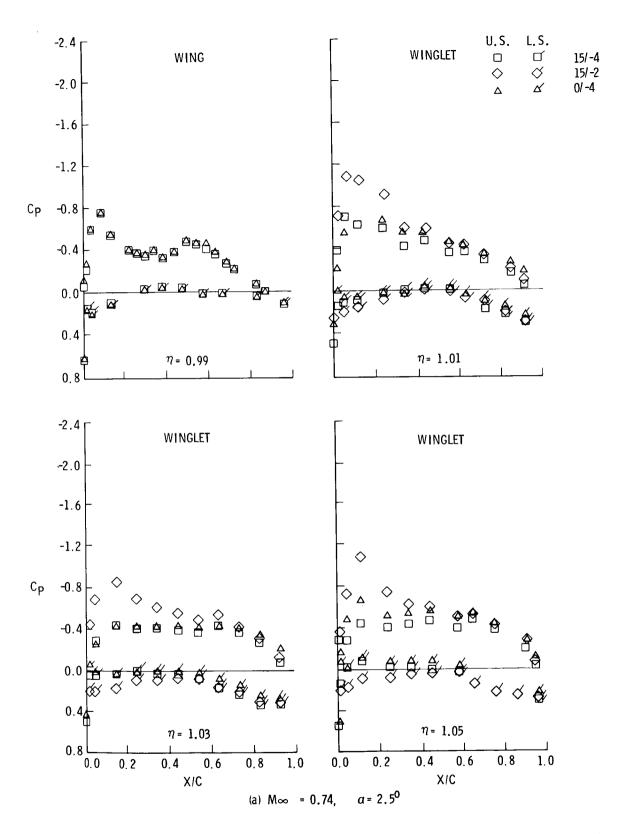


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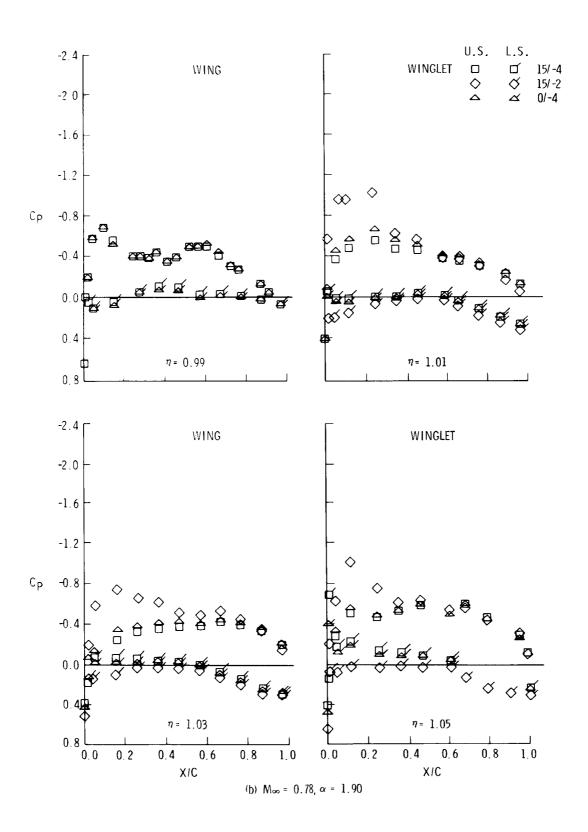


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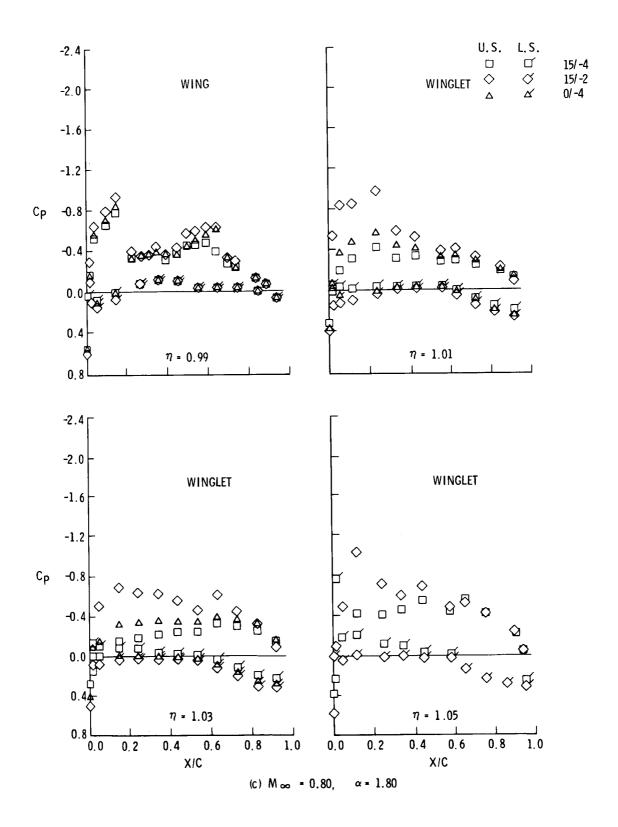


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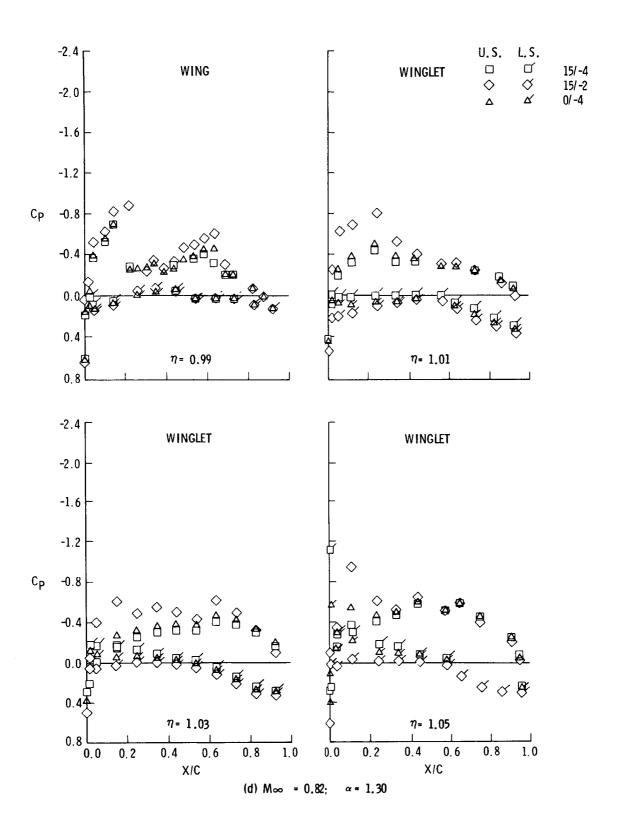


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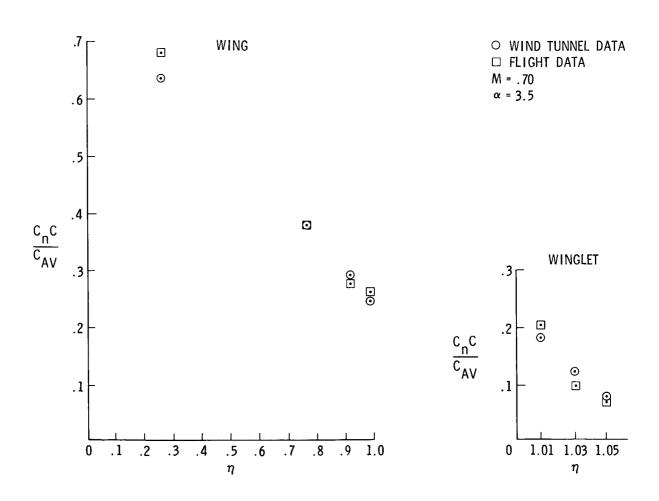


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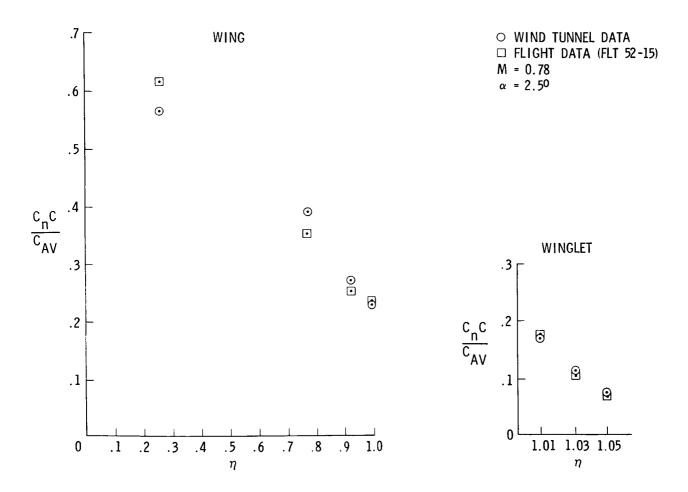


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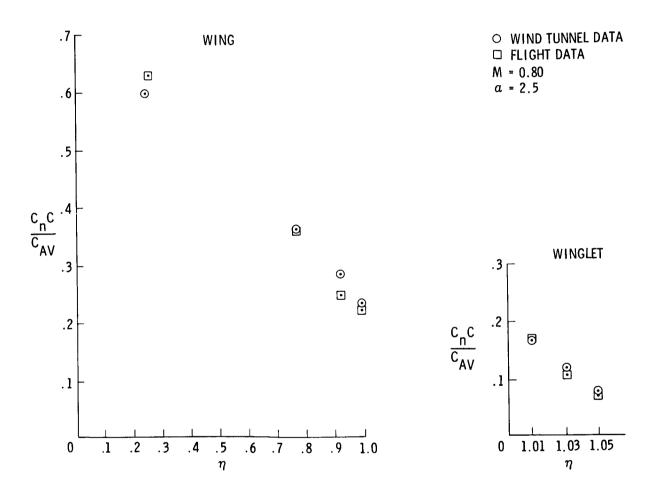


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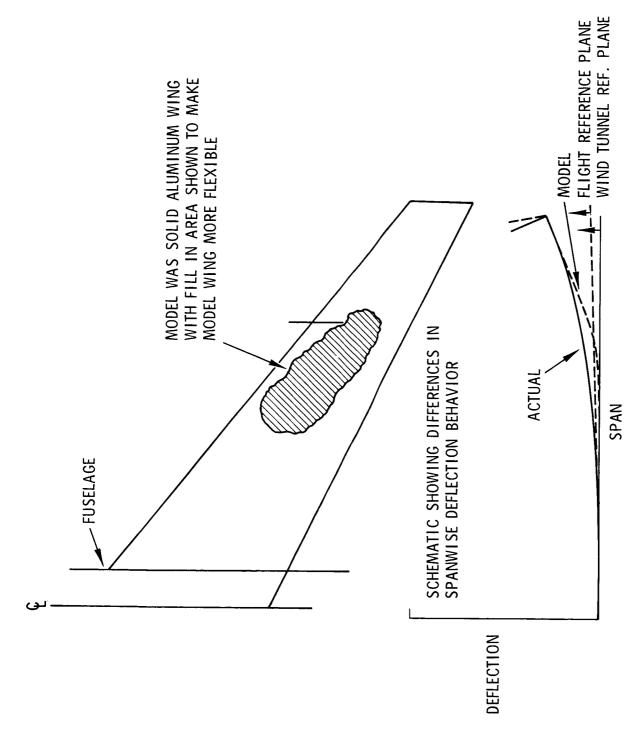


Figure 13. - Schematics of the semispan model wing construction flight versus wind tunnel model deflection measurements

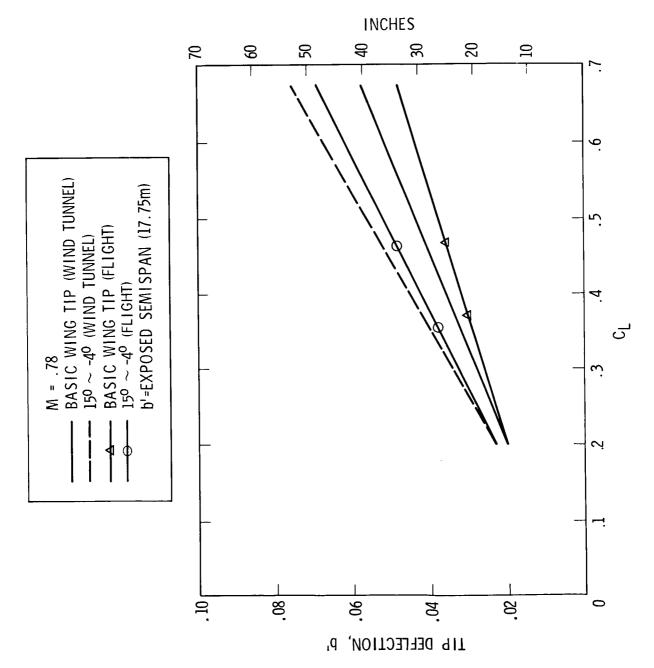


Figure 14. - Flight versus wind tunnel deflections at the design cruise condition

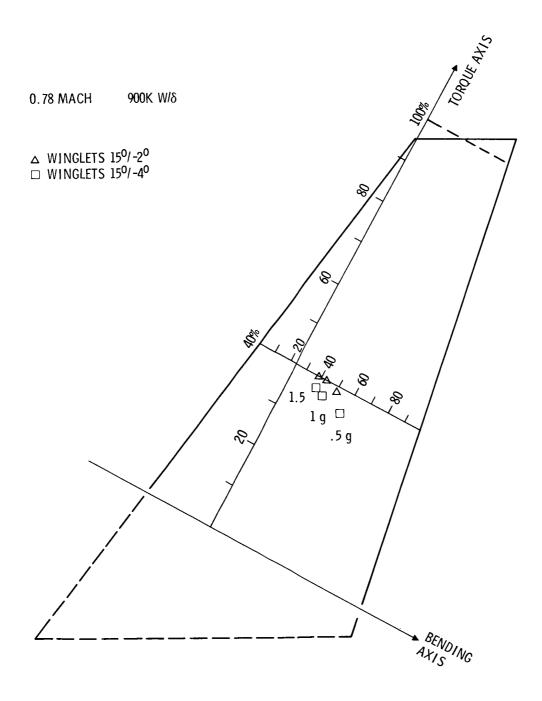


Figure 15. - Winglet center of pressure location

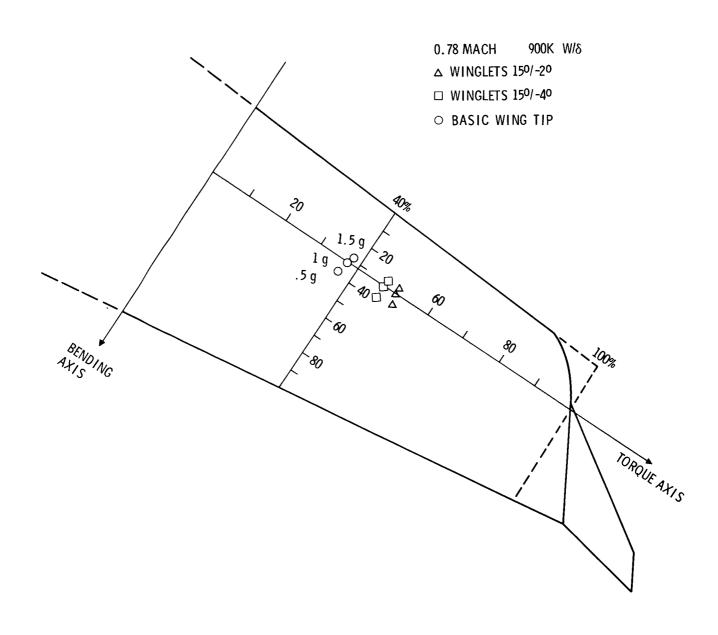


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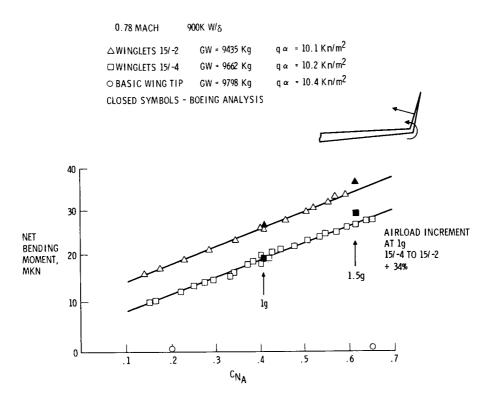


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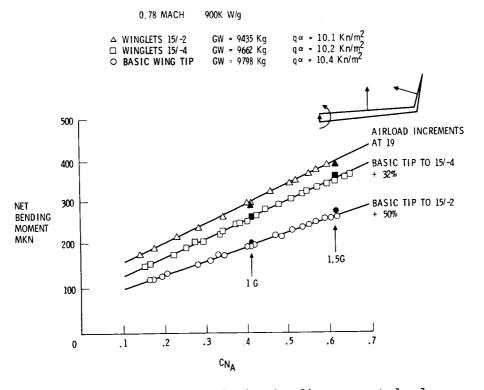
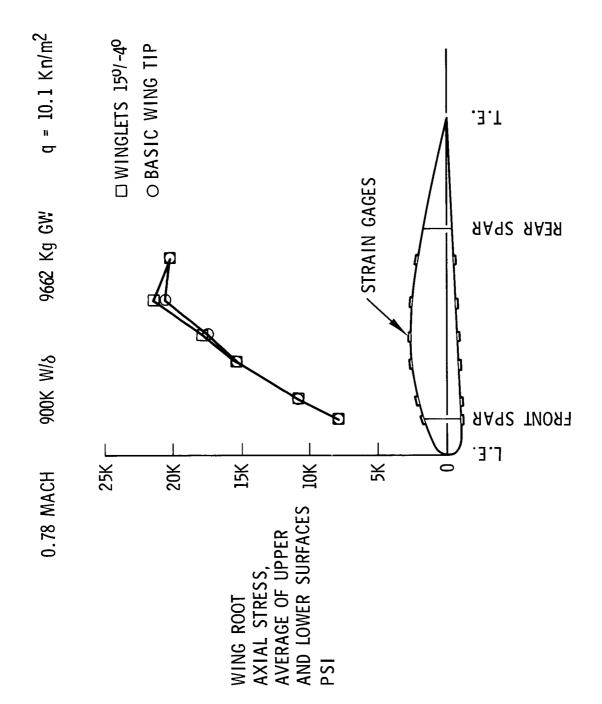


Figure 18. - Outboard wing bending moment loads



IN-FLIGHT LIFT AND DRAG MEASUREMENTS ON A FIRST GENERATION JET TRANSPORT EQUIPPED WITH WINGLETS

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SUMMARY

NASA in a joint project with the USAF flight tested a KC-135A aircraft equipped with wing tip winglets to demonstrate and validate the potential performance gain of the winglet concept as predicted from analytical and wind tunnel data. Flight data were obtained at cruise conditions for Mach numbers of 0.70, 0.75, and 0.80 at a nominal altitude of 36,000 ft. and winglet configurations of 15° cant/-4° incidence, 0° cant/-4° incidence, and baseline.

For the Mach numbers tested the data show that the addition of winglets did not affect the lifting characteristics of the wing. However, both winglet configurations showed a drag reduction over the baseline configuration, with the best winglet configuration being the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration. This drag reduction due to winglets also increased with increasing lift coefficient.

It was also shown that a small difference ($\Delta C_D = 0.00045$) exists between the 15° cant/-4° incidence flight and wind tunnel predicted data. This difference was attributed to the pillowing of the winglet skins in flight which would decrease the winglet performance.

INTRODUCTION

With the advent of the 1973 fuel crisis, the fuel efficiency of transport type aircraft has become of paramount importance to all operators of this type of aircraft, including the Federal Government. To improve the fuel efficiency of these aircraft, Dr. Richard T. Whitcomb developed wing tip mounted winglets which reduce the drag of the wing lifting system. Many analytical studies and wind tunnel tests have been conducted (references 1, 2, 3), to show the decreased drag of the wing/winglet system and it was determined that a flight evaluation of this concept was in order. Therefore, the USAF, in a joint project with NASA, contracted for the design and fabrication of winglets to be attached to a KC-135A aircraft as shown in figure 1.

The objective of the NASA/USAF flight project was to demonstrate the incremental performance gains, predicted from analytical and wind tunnel studies, by installing winglets on an aircraft without degrading aircraft stability. This was accomplished by making measurements to obtain lift, drag and pressure distributions on both right wing and winglet, and to obtain fuel mileage data.

This report presents the lift and drag data for a Mach number range of 0.70 to 0.80 for the cruise flight condition at one altitude (36,000 feet nominal). Angle of attack and lift coefficient were varied by varying weight (fuel burn). The aircraft center of gravity was maintained at 25% mean

aerodynamic chord. Flights were made with winglets off (baseline) and winglets on for several cant and incidence conditions. The data presented in this report are for the baseline, 0° cant/-4° incidence, and 15° cant/-4° incidence.

SYMBOLS

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A _d	Area of Engine Inlet Duct, ft ²
A _e	Area of Engine Nozzle, ft ²
A _x	Longitudinal Acceleration, g
${\mathtt A}_{\mathbf Z}$	Normal Acceleration, g
<u>c</u>	Mean Aerodynamic Chord
c _d	Drag Coefficient, Drag qs
c _f	Nozzle Efficiency Coefficient
C^{L}	Lift Coefficient, $\frac{\text{Lift}}{\text{qs}}$
F g	Gross Thrust, lbs
Fr	Ram Drag, lbs
M _∞	Freestream Mach Number
M d	Inlet Duct Mach Number
Pt	Total Pressure, psi
Ps	Static Pressure, psi
P_{∞}	Free Stream Static Pressure, psi
P	Dynamic Pressure, $0.7M_{\infty}^{2}P_{\infty}$, psf
S	Wing Reference Area, ft ²
w	Aircraft Gross Weight, lb
α _i	Indicated Angle of Attack, deg
α _t	True Angle of Attack, deg
δ	Ambient Pressure Ratio
Υ	Ratio of Specific Heats

DESCRIPTION OF TEST AIRCRAFT

The test aircraft used for this study was a KC-135A aerial refueling tanker modified to allow the installation of wing tip mounted winglets. Also, an air data boom was added with provisions for measuring free stream impact pressure, static pressure, angle of attack, and angle of sideslip. Incorporated into the angle of attack and sideslip vanes were flight path accelerometers; however, these were not used in this study.

The configuration of the winglets, as tested in this study, is shown in figure 2. The winglets, as manufactured by the Boeing Military Aircraft Company (BMAC), were constructed to accommodate changing the angle of cant and incidence on the ground. This allowed flight testing to determine the optimum winglet configuration.

FLIGHT TEST INSTRUMENTATION

In order to obtain the necessary parameters to allow calculation of lift and drag, the KC-135 aircraft had to be instrumented to accurately obtain aircraft weight, thrust, angle of attack, freestream impact and static pressures, and normal and longitudinal accelerations.

Each of the four engines' inlet ducts was instrumented to measure total pressure (P_{t_2}) and static pressure (P_{s_2}) for determining inlet momentum and with total pressure probes after the turbine (P_{t_7}) to obtain gross thrust. As can be seen from figure 3, engine 1 and 2 used inlet rakes to obtain P_{t_2} while engines 3 and 4 used two P_{t_2} probes. All of the engine pressures were measured using differential pressure transducers located in the aircraft cabin. These transducers were all referenced to a single reference pressure taken from a P_{t_2} probe of engine 2. This reference pressure was measured by a very accurate absolute pressure transducer also located in the aircraft cabin.

Other instrumentation pertinent to the engines were fuel flow meters located in the fuel supply lines of all the engines to enable aircraft weight to be determined and instrumentation of the engine bleed doors. For all test points the engine bleed doors were closed.

As previously mentioned, an air data noseboom was installed on the flight test aircraft. The angle of attack that was used in this study was taken from the angle-of-attack vanes mounted on the noseboom. Freestream impact and static pressures were obtained from the noseboom pitot-static system. This system is described in detail in reference 4.

Normal and longitudinal accelerations were obtained from accelerometers mounted at the aircraft center of gravity. Alignment of this accelerometer package was checked periodically throughout the flight test program to ensure that the accelerometer mount plate was not shifting from flight to flight.

Other parameters that were measured which concern this study were ambient air temperature, engine rotor speeds, and all control surface deflections.

All data parameters were recorded through a pulse code modulation (PCM) system onto magnetic tape. In postflight processing the magnetic flight tape was formatted and processed to allow follow-on data programs to access the data and perform all pertinent calculations.

FLIGHT TEST PROCEDURE

Of all the tasks that were to be flown during the flight test, by far the most difficult task was to obtain good fuel mileage data. Since these data were of primary concern to the USAF, the requirements for this task dictated the manner in which the lift and drag task were to be performed. A discussion of how the data points were obtained and the manner in which the data was reduced follows.

Data were obtained at Mach numbers of 0.70, 0.75, 0.78, and 0.80 at three W/ δ conditions for each winglet configuration. By varying W/ δ it was possible to obtain a C_L range that was representative of the aircraft envelope. For each data point the aircraft was flown to the desired Mach number and altitude to obtain the proper W/ δ . This condition would be held for a minimum of three minutes. An onboard flight test engineer would determine if the aircraft/airmass was stable enough during the data run for the run to be acceptable. If not, the data run would be repeated. It was found that in most cases where the data runs were deemed unacceptable for fuel mileage data, the data was most adequate for lift and drag data.

One of the critical aspects of the flight program was the stability of the airmass required for data acquisition. Many times this required that the mission be flown at extreme distances from Base precluding real time ground monitoring of flight parameters. As a result a real time onboard computation capability was provided to allow both monitoring of instrumentation and computation of aircraft weight.

Throughout any given flight, a crew member would monitor the fuel status of the aircraft. Fuel would be transferred either forward or aft to maintain the aircraft's center of gravity at 25% \bar{c} . The accuracy to which this could be maintained is about $\pm 1\%$.

LIFT/DRAG DATA REDUCTION

The following are the equations for ${\tt C}_{\tt L}$ and ${\tt C}_{\tt D}$ used in this investigation:

$$C_{L} = \frac{1}{qs} \left[w(A_{z} \cos \alpha_{t} + A_{x} \sin \alpha_{t}) - F_{g} \sin \alpha_{t} \right]$$

and

$$C_{D} = \frac{1}{qs} \left[w(A_{z} \sin \alpha_{t} - A_{x} \cos \alpha_{t}) + F_{q} \cos \alpha_{t} - F_{r} \right]$$

These equations and their derivations can be found in reference 5. From these equations it can be seen that the important parameters are weight,

dynamic pressure, gross thrust and ram drag, longitudinal and normal accelerations, and true angle of attack. Each of these will be briefly discussed below.

Aircraft weight was determined by fueling and weighing the aircraft and crew prior to flight. From engine start to engine shutdown fuel flow meters on each engine supplied the information necessary to allow the integration of the fuel weight burned, which determined the weight of the aircraft at any given time. This calculation was checked after each flight by a postflight weighing of the aircraft.

Thrust and ram drag of the aircraft were determined from total and static pressures in the inlet duct and total pressures after the engine turbine. A very simple method of calculating thrust and ram drag was used for this investigation since the real interest was the incremental performance of winglets over a baseline configuration. For this investigation the following equations were used to determine gross thrust and ram drag per engine.

$$F_{g} = A_{e}C_{f} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right)^{\left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \right)} (\gamma + 1) P_{t_{7}} - P_{\infty} \right] = C_{f}A_{e} \left(1.259_{P_{t_{7}}} - P_{\infty} \right)$$

where γ is taken to be 1.33. C_f is the nozzle efficiency coefficient and is obtained from thrust stand runs. C_f for this investigation is shown in figure 4.

$$F_r = 1.4 A_d^{M_{\infty}M_d} P_{S_2} \left(\frac{1 + 0.2 M_d^2}{1 + 0.2 M_{\infty}^2} \right)$$

where

$$M_{d} = 2.236 \left[\left(\frac{P_{s_2}}{P_{t_2}} \right)^{\frac{-2}{7}} - 1 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

For a more indepth discussion of this technique of determining $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{g}}$ and $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{r}}$ see reference 6.

Longitudinal and normal accelerations were obtained from the center of gravity accelerometer package. The accelerometer package consisted of a -1.0/+3g normal accelerometer, -1.0/+1.0g longitudinal accelerometer, and a ±0.25g sensitive longitudinal accelerometer. When longitudinal accelerations were small the sensitive longitudinal accelerometer was used in the lift, drag calculations. All accelerometers were filtered at 3 hertz.

True angle of attack proved the most difficult parameter to determine. The KC-135 is a large, flexible aircraft and the angle of attack as measured

from the noseboom vanes and the c.g. accelerometers changes with changing flight conditions. Since all data points during this study were to be taken at 1g cruise conditions it was felt that the best method of determining true angle of attack was to calibrate α in flight by relating true α to the longitudinal accelerometer by the expression

$$\alpha_{t} = \sin^{-1} A_{x}$$

Indicated angle of attack was plotted against α_t for each flight and a polynormal regression curve fit was made of this data (figure 5). This curve then became the calibration of angle of attack. It should be noted that this curve takes into account upwash effects, noseboom misalignment, and fuselage deflection effects. This is true only because the data was flown at cruise conditions, i.e. 1g stabilized flight.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The effect of the addition of winglets on the KC-135 aircraft aerodynamic parameters can be seen in figure 6 as lift coefficient versus angle of attack and lift coefficient versus drag coefficient.

The addition of winglets had little or no effect upon the C_L vs α curve for either the 15/-4 or 0/-4 configuration. This was anticipated since the wind tunnel data of reference 1 also predicted little or no effect on $C_{L_{\alpha}}$ with the addition of winglets.

The addition of winglets, however, did affect the drag data as seen in figure 6. For every Mach number and lift coefficient tested, the addition of winglets to the aircraft reduced the total aircraft drag. Also the 15/-4 configuration is seen to be more effective at reducing the drag than the 0/-4 configuration for all Mach numbers and lift coefficients. This also was anticipated as a result of the wind tunnel tests which showed the 15/-4 configuration to be the optimum winglet configuration for the KC-135 aircraft.

Figure 7 shows the drag increment, ΔC_D , plotted versus lift coefficient for each of the test Mach numbers. These data were obtained by computing the difference in C_D at a given C_L between the baseline data fairing and the fairing of the 15/-4 and 0/-4 data. These data show that the C_D reduction due to winglets increases with increasing lift coefficient for both winglet configurations. Also, the 15/-4 configuration is increasingly more effective in reducing drag than is the 0/-4 configuration, as C_L is increased. The data also show that, for the most part, the effect of the winglets is independent of Mach number for the small range of Mach numbers tested. (M = 0.70 to 0.80.)

Also shown in figure 7 as the dashed line is the wind tunnel predicted decrease in drag due to winglets for the 15/-4 configuration at a Mach number of 0.78. These data were taken from Langley test 754 and do not incorporate corrections for Reynolds number and trim drag which were considered to be small. The wind tunnel data show a decrease of approximately 0.00045 $C_{\rm D}$ more than the flight data over the entire $C_{\rm L}$ range. There are several factors that could contribute to the miscomparison of the two sets of data, such as model

aeroelasticity, as compared to the flight vehicle, or angle of attack definition. However, the single most probable cause would be the existence of winglet skin pillowing as shown in figure 8. This pillowing, caused by a structural deficiency of the skin, would increase the drag of the winglet and not allow it to perform as predicted in the wind tunnel data. Further discussion of the effect of the winglet skin pillowing on the winglet performance can be found in reference 7.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

NASA in a joint project with the USAF flight tested a KC-135A aircraft equipped with wing tip winglets to demonstrate and validate the potential performance gain of the winglet concept as predicted from analytical and wind tunnel data. Flight data were obtained at cruise conditions for Mach numbers of 0.70, 0.75, 0.78, and 0.80 at a nominal altitude of 36,000 ft and winglet configurations of 15/-4, 0/-4 and baseline. The data show the following:

- No change was observed in the lift curve slope between the baseline (winglets off) configuration and winglets on configuration at any Mach number tested.
- Both the 15/-4 and 0/-4 winglet configuration reduced the airplane drag as compared with the baseline configuration for all Mach numbers and lift coefficients tested. The 15/-4 configuration had the highest drag reduction.
- ullet The drag reduction due to winglets increased with increasing $C_{\rm L}$ and appeared to be independent of Mach number for the Mach number range tested.

Also observed was that the 15/-4 flight data and wind tunnel predicted $C_{\rm D}$ reduction disagreed by a small amount ($\Delta C_{\rm D}$ = 0.00045). This difference was attributed to pillowing of the winglet skins in flight which would decrease winglet performance.

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Figure 1. - KC-135A aircraft modified with winglets

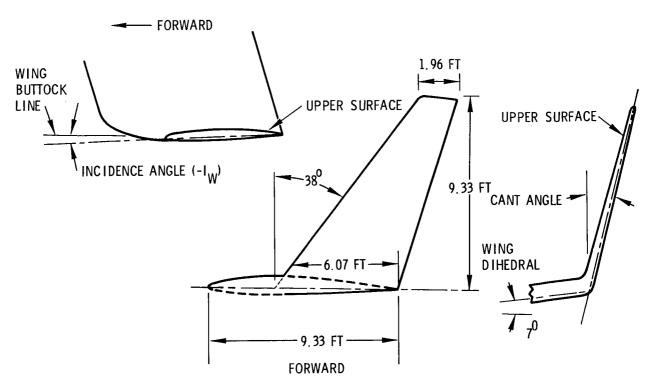


Figure 2. - Definition of winglet cant and incidence angles

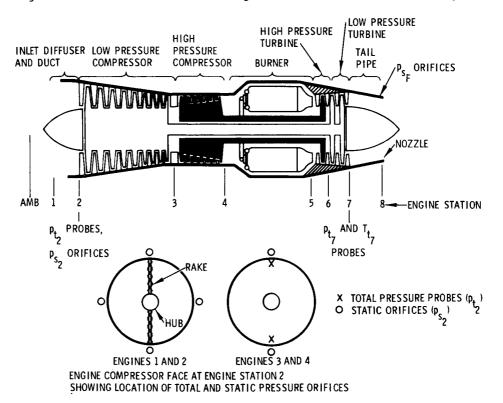


Figure 3. - J57-P-43W turbofan engine with station designations and measured parameter locations

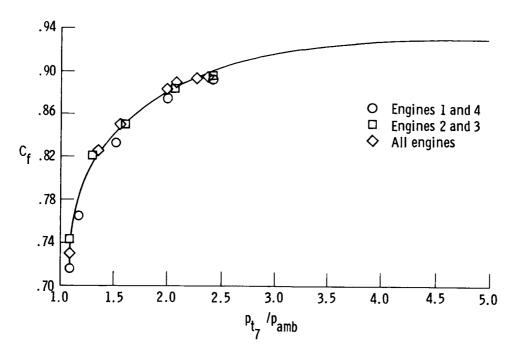


Figure 4. - Nozzle coefficient determined by ground thrust calibration

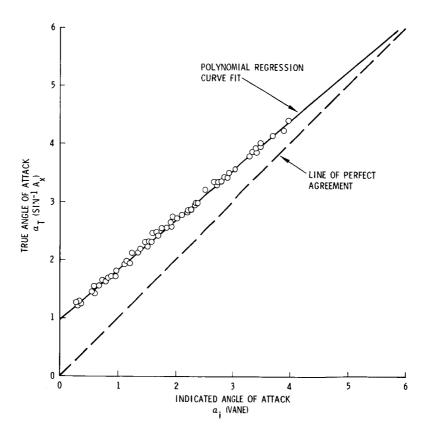
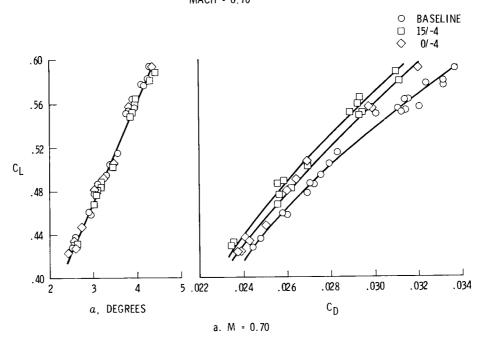


Figure 5. - Angle of attack calibration

KC-135 WINGLET L/D DATA MACH = 0.70



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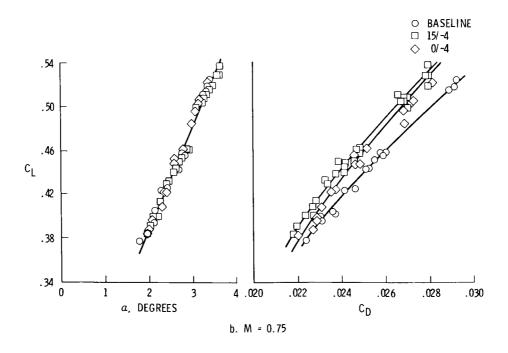
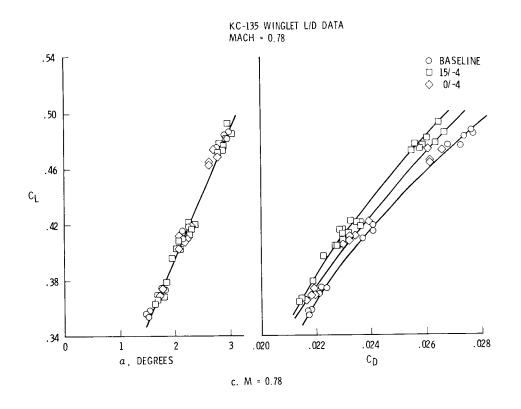


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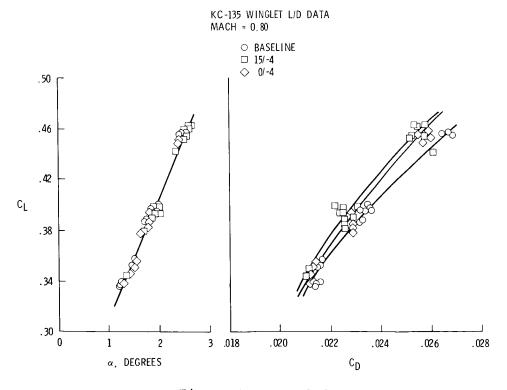


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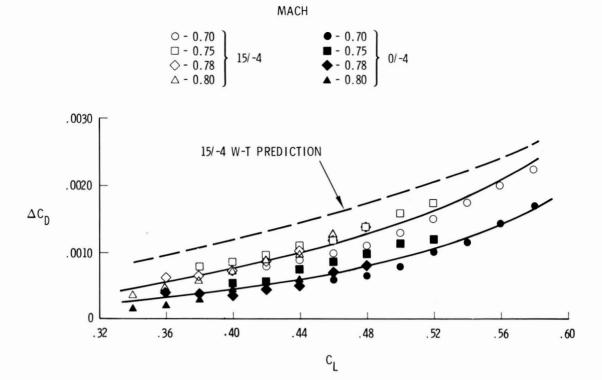


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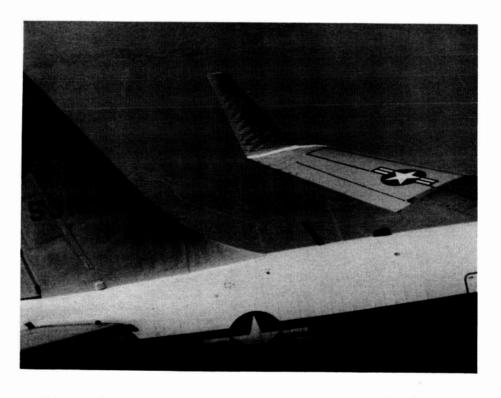


Figure 8. - Winglet in flight with skin "pillowing"

MEASUREMENTS OF THE FUEL MILEAGE OF A KC-135 AIRCRAFT WITH AND WITHOUT WINGLETS

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SUMMARY

The KC-135A Winglet Flight Research and Demonstration Program was a joint effort of the Air Force, NASA and the Boeing Military Airplane Company to flight test winglets on the KC-135A. The primary objective of the program was to verify the cruise performance improvements predicted by analysis and wind tunnel tests. Flight test data were obtained for winglets positioned at 15° cant/-2° incidence, 0° cant/-4° incidence, 15° cant/-4° incidence and for winglets off (baseline). Both fuel mileage and drag measurements were obtained.

The 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration provided the greatest performance improvement. The flight test measured fuel mileage improvement for a 0.78 Mach number was 3.1 percent at 8×10^5 pounds $W/_{\delta}$ and 5.5 percent at 1.05 x 10^6 pounds $W/_{\delta}$. Correcting the flight measured data for surface pressure differences between wind tunnel and flight resulted in a fuel mileage improvement of 4.4 percent at 8 x 10^5 pounds $W/_{\delta}$ and 7.2 percent at 1.05 x 10^6 pounds $W/_{\delta}$. The agreement between the fuel mileage and drag data was excellent.

INTRODUCTION

Analytical and experimental investigation indicated that a significant drag reduction could be realized on large transport aircraft through the incorporation of winglets. Winglets were projected to reduce the KC-135's cruise drag between 6 and 8 percent, which translates into a significant fuel savings for the KC-135 fleet. As a result the KC-135 Winglet Flight Research and Demonstration Program was developed to design, fabricate and flight test a set of winglets to verify the cruise performance improvement predicted by analysis and by wind tunnel tests (references 1 through 6). Three specific areas of performance were investigated:

- Fuel mileage performance obtained from fuel flow and airspeed measurements.
- Drag determined from engine thrust measurements.
- Pressure distributions on the wing and winglet.

This paper discusses the cruise performance testing and results obtained from the first two areas of investigation. The pressure distributions are discussed in reference 7. A detailed analysis of the final results of the overall program is presented in reference 8.

SYMBOLS

Inlet Duct Area A_{D} Α Jet Nozzle Area Alt Altitude A_{X} Longitudinal Acceleration in g's Normal Acceleration in g's $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ C_{D} Drag Coefficient C_{T_i} Lift Coefficient C_{f} Jet Nozzle Coefficient CFCorrection Factor D Drag Gross Thrust FMFuel Mileage $^{\rm F}$ R Ram Drag Нe Energy Altitude Pressure Altitude Inertial Navigation System INS KCAS Knots Calibrated Airspeed K₁ Constant K₂ Constant L Lift LHV Lower Heating Value Mach Number Μ M_{D} Duct Mach Number NAM Nautical Air Miles PAmb Ambient Pressure at Tailpipe Exit $^{\mathtt{P}}\mathtt{s}_{2}$ Static Pressure at the Compressor Face P_t₇ Total Pressure at Tailpipe Exit Dynamic Pressure q S Wing Area SFC Specific Fuel Consumption t Time TSFC Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption Ground Speed $V_{\mathbf{T}}$ True Airspeed W Gross Weight $\dot{\mathtt{w}}_{\mathtt{f}}$ Fuel Flow Angle of Attack δ Ambient Pressure Ratio Δ Increment θ Ambient Temperature Ratio

FLIGHT TEST PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The test airplane was a KC-135 S/N 55-3129, on loan to NASA Dryden Flight Research Center from the 4950th Air Force Test Wing (figure 1). The external aerodynamic configuration of the basic airplane was that of a standard KC-135A, except that the refueling boom had been removed and an airspeed nose boom with angle of attack and angle of sideslip vanes had been installed. Since the goal of the testing was to determine the incremental benefit of winglets, the data reduction methods did not attempt to correct the data to a standard airplane configuration.

The flight test winglets were designed to provide for variation of winglet cant and incidence as well as for removal of the winglet to obtain baseline data. Figure 2 presents the general winglet geometry.

The performance testing was conducted at Edwards Air Force Base, Edwards, California. The testing occurred in two time segments beginning in August 1979 and July 1980, respectively.

The first series of tests were flown in the proximity of the Edwards Air Force Base complex in order that the test data could be telemetered to NASA's ground station for real time monitoring. Data were obtained for three configurations:

- Winglets on, 15° cant/-2° incidence
- Winglets on, 15° cant/-4° incidence
- Winglets off, baseline

Several attempts were made to obtain data with the winglets set at 0° cant/- 4° incidence. However, the persistent fuel leaks and the discovery of the cracked wing spar chord aborted these attempts during the preliminary testing.

Data scatter and instrumentation problems were prevalent during the preliminary testing. The scatter in the fuel mileage data masked the performance increment. A review of the fuel flow data used in determining fuel mileage indicated that scanivalve operation created electrical noise and bias in the fuel flow instrumentation which resulted in erroneous fuel flow indications. Isolating the fuel flow instrumentation on separate power supplies eliminated the scanivalve interference. The fuel flow instrumentation was also modified to provide better ranging over the cruise fuel flows. During airplane downtime between the two time segments it was decided that the criteria for determining stabilized flight should be clearly specified and more strictly adhered to when flying resumed. The following criteria were decided on:

<u>Parameter</u>	Maximum Allowable Change During Three-Minute Run
Àltitude	±80 ft
Ambient Air Temperature	±0.5°C
Mach Number (Airspeed)	±0.004 (±1.5 KCAS)
True Airspeed	±2 kts
w/ _o	±5,000 lb from Nominal

Testing was accomplished for three nominal W/ $_{\delta}$'s (8 X 10 5 , 9 x 10 5 and 1.05 x 10 6 lb) throughout the range of Mach numbers from 0.70 to 0.82. Data were obtained during three minute stabilized runs at altitudes between 34,000 and 40,000 ft.

In order to find and test in stable air masses, the airplane was equipped with an onboard real time data monitoring computer. This eliminated the need for the ground station real time monitoring and allowed the airplane to leave the Edwards Air Force Base area in search of smooth stable air. The final testing was flown over the ocean, off the coast of southern California.

An inertial navigation system (INS) was installed on the airplane during the final tests and was operational from flight 31-42 to the completion of testing. The INS facilitated navigation and also furnished information on ground speed through a digital cockpit display.

Final performance data were acquired for the following configurations:

- Winglets on, 0° cant/-4° incidence
- Winglets on, 15° cant/-4° incidence
- Baseline

Table 1 lists the successful data flights and the type of performance data obtained for each flight test segment.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Fuel Mileage

The basic parameters required to determine the cruise performance of an airplane at a given Mach number and gross weight are true airspeed (V_T), fuel flow (\mathring{W}_f) and ambient pressure ratio (δ). Normalized fuel mileage (FM) is obtained by combining these parameters in the following equation:

$$FM_{\text{Test}} = \frac{V_{\text{T}} \times \delta \times 1000}{\overset{\bullet}{W}_{\text{f}}}$$

The FM test value for a given condition was based on the average value of these parameters over the stabilized condition time. Each parameter was sampled every second over a nominal three minute time period.

The test fuel mileage was then corrected to standard conditions so that a valid comparison could be made among configurations. Differences in drag (off W/ $_{\delta}$ and changing energy state), fuel lower heating values and altitudes were normalized by means of correction factors applied to the test FM:

$$FM_{Corr} = FM_{Test} \times CF_{Drag} \times CF_{LHV} \times CF_{Alt}$$

The drag correction factor had two components: off, $\mathbf{W}/_{\delta}$ and changing energy state.

The off W/ $_{\delta}$ correction occurs when the data are not obtained at exactly the targeted W/ $_{\delta}$. This results in the airplane operating at a different C_L than desired and thus a different C_D as illustrated in figure 3. The increment of drag associated with returning to the nominal W/ $_{\delta}$ is:

$$\left(\frac{\Delta \text{Drag}}{\delta}\right) W/_{\delta} = 1481.4 \text{ s M}^2 \left(\Delta C_D\right)_{W/_{\delta}}$$

The basic KC-135A drag polars (reference 9) were used to determine the W/ $_{\delta}$ correction for all test configurations.

The changing energy state correction occurs when the airplane is in accelerated, climbing or descending flight during the test condition. At any given point in time the airplane's energy state is described by its energy altitude (${\rm H_e}$) which is the sum of the airplane's geopotential altitude and its speed

converted to an equivalent geopotential altitude. An increase in ${\rm H_e}$ over the condition time indicates that the airplane is accelerating and that the engines are producing more thrust than is required to balance the drag force. A decrease in ${\rm H_e}$ indicates less thrust is being produced than that required to balance drag. Since level unaccelerated flight performance where thrust equals drag is desired, a correction for any energy state change must be applied. The time rate of change of ${\rm H_e}$ is related to drag by the following equation:

$$\left(\frac{\Delta D rag}{\delta}\right)_{H_e} = -0.592484 \times W/_{\delta} \times \frac{1}{V_T} \times \frac{dH_e}{dt}$$

When determining $H_{\rm e}$, the reference for the airplane speed and for the geopotential altitude should be the earth. Therefore, airplane ground speed $(V_{\rm g})$ is the relevant speed. However, ground speed measurements were not available until late in the program (Flight No. 31-42 and on) when an inertial navigation system was installed in the airplane. In a stable air mass with no wind or horizontal temperature gradients, changes in true airspeed are the same as changes in ground speed. Therefore, true airspeed was used in determining $H_{\rm e}$.

On those flights where the INS was installed, an energy correction was also determined using the hand-recorded ground speed from the digital cockpit display. The energy correction was determined based on the following relationship.

$$\left(\frac{\Delta D rag}{\delta}\right)$$
 INS = -0.052459 x W/ $_{\delta}$ x $\frac{dV_g}{dt}$

The altitude change during a test run was minimized by the use of the altitude hold function on the autopilot. The altitude excursions experienced during the testing were negligible, and no corrections were applied in the calculation of the INS drag correction.

The relationship between the airplane drag at the nominal W/ $_{\delta}$ in level unaccelerated flight and the drag of the airplane under the test conditions is given by the following equation:

$$\left(\frac{\mathtt{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\mathtt{Nominal}} = \left(\frac{\mathtt{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\mathtt{Test}} + \left(\frac{\Delta\mathtt{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\mathtt{W/}_{\delta}} + \left(\frac{\Delta\mathtt{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\mathtt{Energy}}_{\mathtt{Changes}}$$

where

$$\left(\frac{\Delta \text{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\text{Energy}} = \left(\frac{\Delta \text{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\text{INS}} \text{ or } \left(\frac{\Delta \text{Drag}}{\delta}\right)_{\text{He}}$$

Differences between drag for the nominal and test conditions result in different thrust requirements which may cause a change in the specific fuel consumption (TSFC/ $\sqrt{\theta}$). The drag correction factors applied to the test fuel mileage accounts for both the difference in thrust levels and specific fuel consumption in the following manner:

$$\text{CF}_{\text{Drag}} = \frac{\left(\frac{\text{Drag}}{\delta}\right) \text{ Test}}{\left(\frac{\text{Drag}}{\delta}\right) \text{ Nominal}} \times \frac{\left(\frac{\text{TSFC}}{\sqrt{\theta}}\right) \text{ Test}}{\left(\frac{\text{TSFC}}{\sqrt{\theta}}\right) \text{ Nominal}}$$

The variation of specific fuel consumption with thrust was obtained from the basic engine data contained in reference 10.

The energy content of JP-4 fuel, as measured by the lower heating value, can vary from flight to flight because of differences in such items as sources, shipments, contaminates and seasonal additives. Therefore, a fuel sample was obtained from the airplane fuel tanks before each flight. The samples were analyzed to determine the lower heating value. The test fuel mileage data were then corrected to a standard fuel energy level of 18,400 BTU/lb by applying the following correction factor:

$$CF_{LHV} = \frac{18,400}{LHV_{Test}}$$

Cruise performance testing was conducted between 34,000 ft and 40,000 ft pressure altitude. The specific fuel consumption for a given F $/\delta$ varies with altitude in this altitude test range. For comparison purposes the cruise data were corrected to a standard altitude of 36,000 ft by applying the following correction factor:

$$CF_{Alt} = \frac{\left(\frac{TSFC}{\sqrt{\theta}}\right) \text{ Test Altitude}}{\left(\frac{TSFC}{\sqrt{\theta}}\right) \text{ 36,000 ft}}$$

The specific fuel consumption variation with altitude was obtained from the KC-135A engine data presented in reference 10.

The corrected fuel mileage was obtained by applying the three preceding correction factors to the fuel mileage measured under the test conditions:

$$FM_{Corr} = FM_{Test} \times CF_{Drag} \times CF_{LHV} \times CF_{Alt}$$

Normalized fuel mileage obtained using the airspeed/altitude method for the baseline configuration, the winglets on 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration and the winglets on 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration, are presented in figures 4, 5 and 6, respectively. These data were all obtained during the second segment of the flight test program. The cruise mileage data obtained during the preliminary testing were discarded because of extreme data scatter caused by instrumentation problems and relaxed stability criteria as previously discussed.

Figure 7 compares the faired cruise mileage performance associated with each winglet configuration. This improvement is a function of $W/_\delta$ and Mach number. Figure 8 compares the percentage improvement of both winglet configurations at 0.78 Mach number. As predicted, the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration resulted in the better performance gain.

The baseline and 0°/-4° winglet data exhibit good repeatability between flights and minimal data scatter. However, the 15°/-4° winglet data exhibits almost twice the scatter, particularly at 9 x 10^5 lb W/ $_{\delta}$. All of these data were corrected using the airspeed/altitude energy methods discussed previously. A comparison of these energy corrections to the INS energy corrections for the same test run revealed numerous discrepancies. These discrepancies are indicative of an unstable air mass which would invalidate the assumption made in the airspeed/altitude energy method, that changes in ground speed are reflected in changes in the true airspeed. The INS energy corrected data for the baseline and 15°/-4° winglets on configurations are shown in figures 9 and 10, respectively. The scatter in the winglets on data was greatly reduced while the scatter in the baseline data was not significantly affected. Since the INS provides a more accurate measure of the energy of the airplane, these data were used in determining the 15°/-4° winglets on performance increments.

The percentage improvement in cruise mileage attributable to the flight test 15°/-4° winglet configuration is presented as a function of W/ $_{\delta}$ and Mach number in figure 11.

Drag

NASA-Dryden was responsible for the drag measurements. The NASA basic approach is presented in reference 11 and is only outlined in this report for the convenience of the reader. The lift and drag measurements dealt with two primary areas:

- The thrust developed by the engines.
- The acceleration experienced by the airplane.

Gross thrust was determined from engine pressures measured during the test condition, using the following relationship:

$$F_g = C_f A_j (1.259 P_{t_7} - P_{Amb})$$

Ram drag was subtracted from the gross thrust to arrive at the net thrust used in the drag calculation. The gross thrust was resolved into the flight path to be consistent with the drag direction. The relationship for ram drag is:

$$F_R = 1.4 A_D MM_D P_{S2} \sqrt{\frac{1 + 0.2 M_D^2}{1 + 0.2 M_D^2}}$$

An accelerometer package was located at approximately the airplane center of gravity to measure longitudinal and normal accelerations along the body axis. These accelerations were resolved into the flight path axis system by rotation through the angle of attack. The lift and drag were determined from these measurements as follows:

$$C_{L} = \frac{1}{qS} = \frac{1}{qS} \left[W \left(A_{Z} \cos \alpha + A_{X} \sin \alpha \right) - F_{g} \sin \alpha \right]$$

$$C_{D} = \frac{D}{qS} = \frac{1}{qS} \left[W \left(A_{Z} \sin \alpha - A_{X} \cos \alpha \right) + F_{g} \cos \alpha - F_{R} \right]$$

The drag data were then corrected to the nominal W/ $_{\delta}$ as follows:

$$C_{D_{Corr}} = C_{D_{Test}} + (\Delta C_{D})_{W/\delta}$$

This is the same drag correction discussed previously in the Fuel Mileage section which results from the test C_L being different than the desired C_L at the test Mach number. The corrected drag is presented as a function of Mach number in figures 12, 13, 14 and 15 for the baseline, 15° cant/-4° incidence, 15°/-2° incidence and 0° cant/-4° incidence configurations, respectively.

Both preliminary (solid triangles) and final (open symbols) drag data are presented in figures 12 and 13 for the baseline and 15°/-4° configurations. The preliminary data tends to exhibit higher drag levels as well as a slight counterclockwise rotation of the drag polar. Contributing factors to these differences include the limited amount of preliminary data, differing stability criteria and varying angle of attack calibrations.

The quantity of data obtained for each configuration was very limited during the preliminary tests. Only five data points per W/δ were obtained and only one flight each was flown for the baseline and 15°/-4° configurations.

Due to excessive scatter in the preliminary fuel mileage data, the criteria for determining when the airplane was stabilized were tightened as previously noted. This minimized the size of corrections applied to the final data.

Although $C_{\rm L}$ is not sensitive to small angle of attack changes, $C_{\rm D}$ is highly sensitive to such changes. This requires that the angle of attack instrumentation provide a repeatable nonshifting calibration with a high degree of

resolution. Variations as small as 0.03 degree are significant since they result in approximately a 1 percent change in airplane drag in the cruise range. NASA's method of calibrating the angle of attack vane consisted of applying the steady state relationship:

$$\alpha_{\text{cal}} = \sin^{-1} A_{X} = K_{1} \alpha_{I} + K_{2}$$

A random scattering of energy corrections (accelerations/decelerations) were assumed during the preliminary flight tests to determine K_1 and K_2 . Therefore, all of the data points were utilized in defining the linear relationship between indicated angle of attack ($\alpha_{\text{T}})$ and $\alpha_{\text{cal}}.$ During the final flight tests the data were screened to eliminate all points having accelerations or decelerations resulting in over a 1 percent change in airplane drag. A linear calibration was determined for each airplane configuration. tions in calibrated angle of attack and indicated angle of attack of 0.10 degree between configurations were common as shown in figure 16. variations were noted when the data were compared from flight to flight for the same configuration. Analytical studies of the influence of winglets on the flow upwash at the angle of attack vane indicated a negligible effect. No instrumentation changes were made to the angle of attack measurement system between flights. Therefore, no change was expected in the α calibration. Apparently these variations are the result of limitations in instrumentation accuracies. As a result, the data from all of the final data flights were combined to arrive at a single calibration which was used to reduce the final drag data.

No reason for the shift in the α calibration between the preliminary and final testing was found. Since C_D is so sensitive to changes in α , the preliminary data were corrected using the final α calibration to eliminate any bias. These data were also shown in figures 12, 13 and 14, (solid circles). As 2 to 3 percent drag reduction results from the α calibration change. The preliminary data now tends to exhibit lower drag levels than the final data. The sensitivity of C_D to α changes is obvious.

Because of the uncertainties associated with the changing stability criteria and the varying α calibration, as well as the limited data, the preliminary data were not utilized in the final data analysis.

Fuel mileage improvements were determined using the drag data and engine specific fuel consumption data for each winglet configuration at 0.78 Mach number. Figure 17 compares this improvement to the measured fuel mileage benefit. The airspeed/altitude energy corrected fuel mileage data was used for both winglet configurations in this comparison since INS corrected data was not available for the 0° cant/-4° incidence data. The drag and fuel mileage data exhibited excellent agreement for the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration. The drag based benefit for the 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration showed a greater benefit than was measured by fuel mileage data. The agreement was good at 1.05 x 10^6 lb W/ $_{\delta}$ but varied by 1.3 percent at 8 x 10^5 lb W/ $_{\delta}$.

Figure 18 compares the 15° cant/-4° incidence data to the INS corrected fuel mileage data. Again the agreement is excellent.

The INS offers an alternative data correction method to the accelerometers. The INS correction is not dependent on α , which eliminates the α sensitivity problem. Using the INS, the drag equation becomes:

$$C_{D} = \frac{1}{qS} \left[F_{g} \cos \alpha - F_{R} + \left(\frac{\Delta D rag}{\delta} \right) \right] \times \delta$$

The $(\Delta \text{Drag/}_{\delta})_{\text{INS}}$ was obtained from the INS ground speed changes recorded during the test run as discussed in the Fuel Mileage section. INS data are available for only four of the five baseline flights and the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration flights. The INS corrected drag is presented in figures 19 and 20.

Fuel mileage improvements were calculated based on the drag improvements obtained from the INS corrected data and SFC improvements obtained from reference 10. A comparison of this drag improvement to the directly measured fuel mileage improvement is presented in figure 21. The drag based improvement is 0.1 percent to 0.5 percent higher than that shown by the measured fuel mileage data. This is considered excellent agreement.

Flight Test - Wind Tunnel Data Comparison

The drag improvement determined from the flight tests was compared to wind tunnel data obtained by NASA at their Langley facilities. The flight test demonstrated benefit for winglets at 15° cant/-4° incidence was not as great as the wind tunnel data indicated. Figure 22 presents the comparison for a Mach number of 0.78 over the range of test W/ $_{\delta}$'s. The excellent agreement between the drag and fuel mileage test data gave confidence to the accuracy of flight test data. As a result, a careful comparison of wind tunnel and flight test pressure data was made to ensure that the winglets were developing comparable loadings in flight. Differences in winglet loading were discovered as shown in figure 23. A detailed analysis of these differences is presented in reference 7.

The winglet pressure data were affected by the "pillowing" of the winglet skin between the ribs which caused some distortions in the airfoil contour. There was also a leading edge pressure loss on the lower inboard portion of the winglet at test Mach numbers between 0.70 and 0.82 during flight testing that was not observed during wind tunnel testing. The pressure loss only occurred when the local flow in this area became supersonic. Two-dimensional transonic flow analyses were used to verify that the leading edge pressure loss was not caused by the "pillowing" of the winglet's skin. The difference is attributed to the five percent chord trip strip used on the wind tunnel model. Integration of the pressure drag differences on the winglet between wind tunnel and flight test resulted in a significant drag difference (approximately 1.5 to 2.0%) as shown in figure 24. Note that the drag data are shown plotted against the section normal force at the outboard wing station instead of the usual total airplane lift coefficient. This was done to compensate for any differences in aeroelastic twist at the wing tip between the wind-tunnel model and the flight test airplane. The relationship between airplane lift coefficient and wing tip normal force coefficient for the flight test airplane is shown

figure 25. Accounting for this difference resulted in the final flight test fuel mileage improvements shown in figure 26. The corrected flight test fuel mileage improvement is in good agreement with fuel mileage estimates obtained from the wind tunnel test data as shown in figure 27.

CONCLUSIONS

The results of the cruise performance testing reveal a significant improvement in fuel mileage associated with the installation of winglets on the KC-135A. The 15° cant/-4 incidence winglet provided the greatest performance improvement of the three test configurations. For a 0.78 Mach number the benefit was approximately 4.4% at 8 x 10^5 lb W/ δ and 7.2% at 1.05 x 10^6 lb W/ δ .

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TABLE 1. - PERFORMANCE DATA FLIGHT TESTS

Flight	Configuration	Date	Data Obtained
Preliminary Data			
10-21 11-22 12-23 14-25 16-27	15° cant/-2° incidence 15° cant/-2° incidence 15° cant/-2° incidence 15° cant/-4° incidence Baseline	8-24-79 9-19-79 9-21-79 11-02-79 11-16-79	Drag, pressure Drag, pressure Drag, pressure Drag, pressure Drag, pressure
Final Data			
24-35 27-38 28-39 30-41 31-42 32-43 33-44 34-45 35-46 36-47 37-48 38-49 40-51 41-52 42-53 44-55	O° cant/-4° incidence O° cant/-4° incidence O° cant/-4° incidence Baseline Baseline Baseline Baseline 15° cant/-4° incidence	7-29-80 8-08-80 8-14-80 8-25-80 8-28-80 9-05-80 9-09-80 9-11-80 9-17-80 9-23-80 10-03-80 12-17-80 12-19-80 12-23-80 1-08-81	Fuel mileage, drag Fuel mileage Fuel mileage, drag Fuel mileage Fuel mileage Fuel mileage, drag Fuel mileage, drag Fuel mileage, drag, pressure Fuel mileage, drag, pressure Fuel mileage, drag, pressure Fuel mileage, drag, pressure

^{*}The first two digits of the flight number refer to the number of data flights and the last two digits refer to the cumulative number of flights.

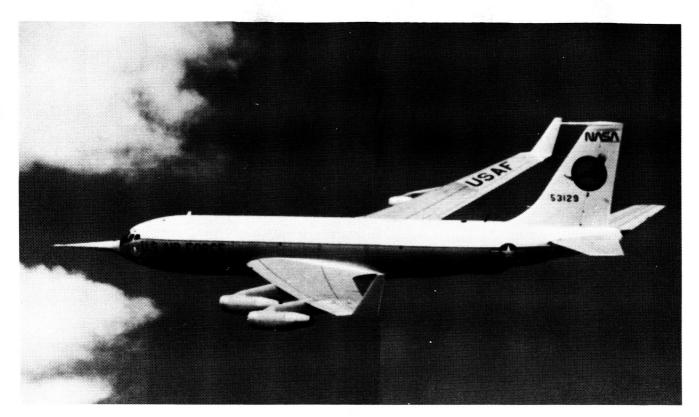


Figure 1. - Test KC-135A with winglets

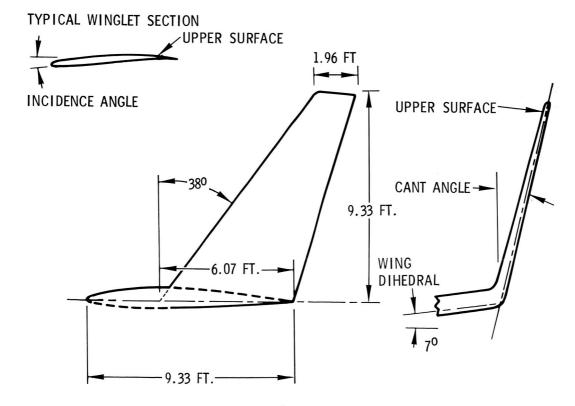


Figure 2. - Winglet geometry

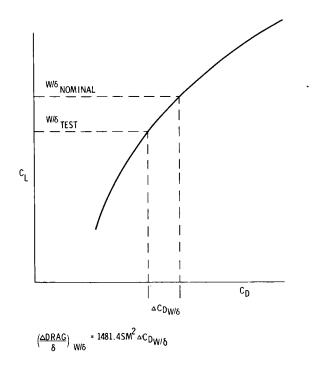


Figure 3. - Off W/ δ drag correction

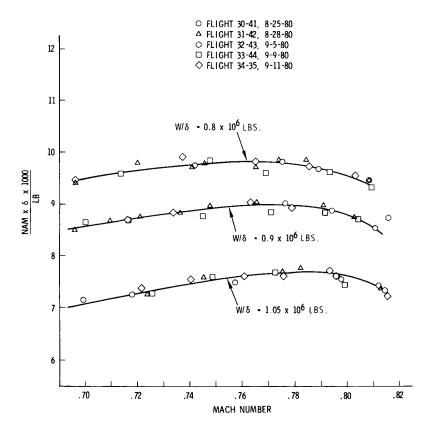


Figure 4. - KC-135 winglet flight test, baseline, Hp = 36,000 feet airspeed/altitude energy correction

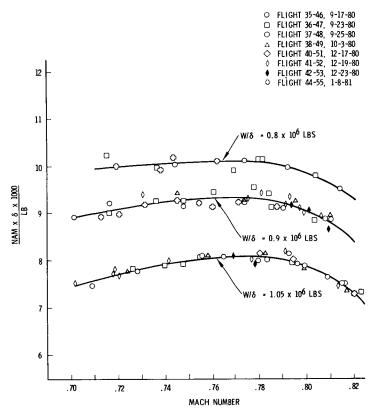


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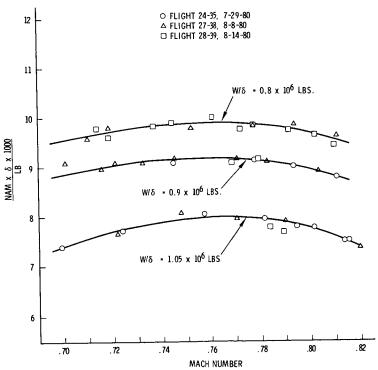


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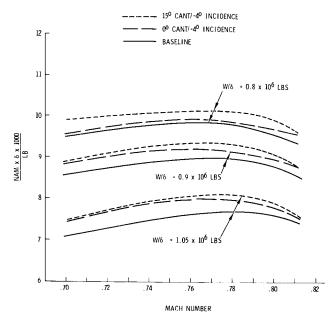


Figure 7. - KC-135 flight test data, Hp = 36,000 feet airspeed/altitude energy correction

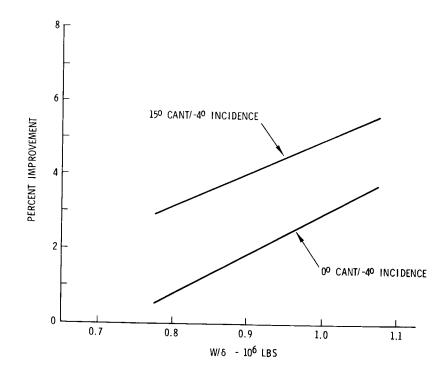


Figure 8. - KC-135A winglet flight test, cruise mileage improvement, airspeed/altitude energy correction mach = 0.78

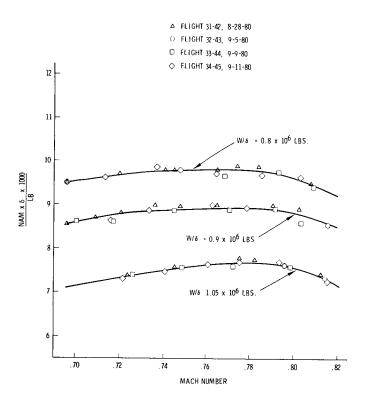


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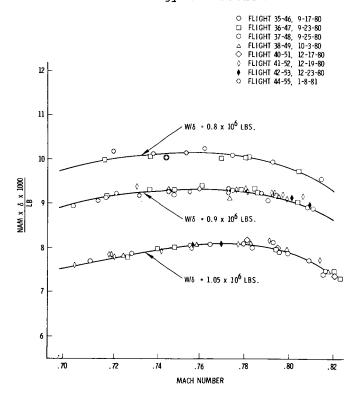


Figure 10. - KC-135A winglet flight test, 15° cant/-4° incidence, Hp = 36,000 ft., INS energy correction

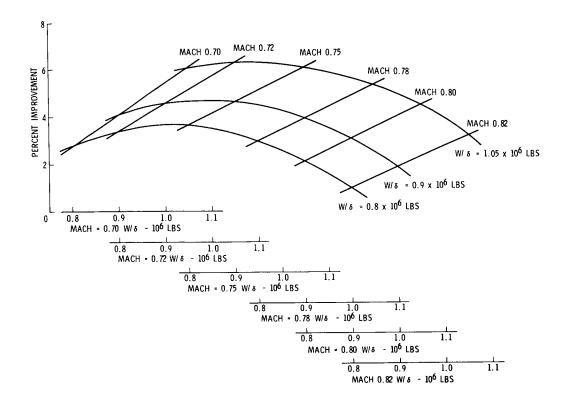


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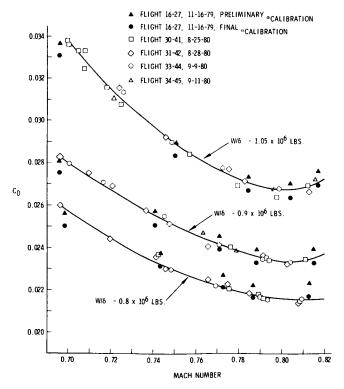


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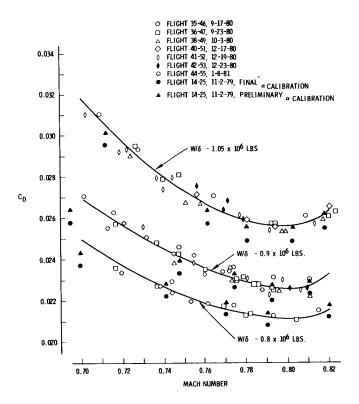


Figure 13. - KC-135A winglet flight test, 15° cant/-4° incidence

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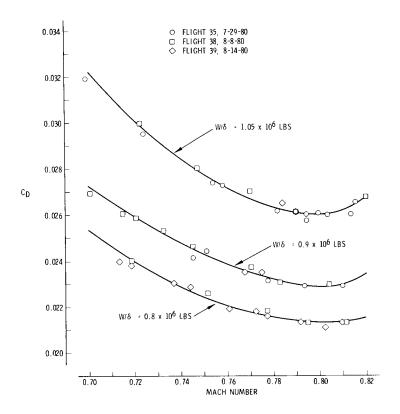


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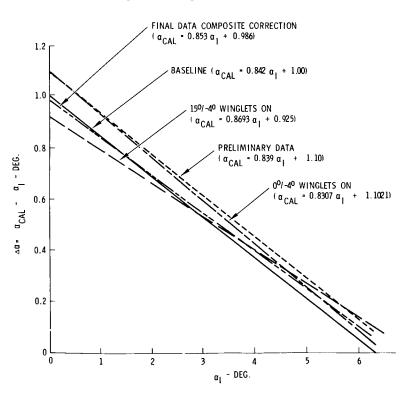
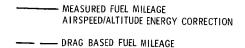


Figure 16. - Angle of attack comparison



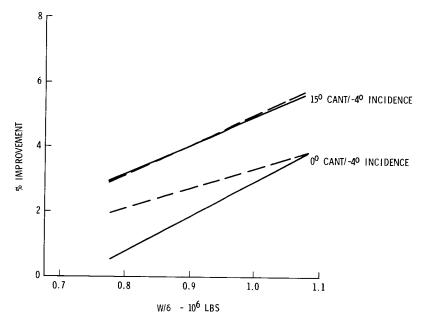


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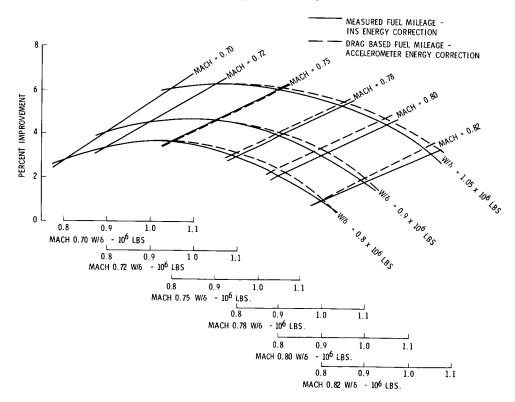


Figure 18. - KC-135A winglet flight test cruise mileage improvement, winglets 15° cant/-4° incidence

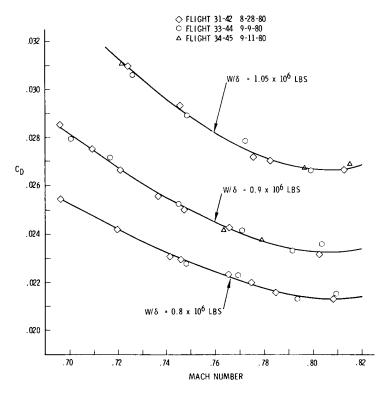


Figure 19. - KC-135A winglet flight test, baseline, INS energy correction

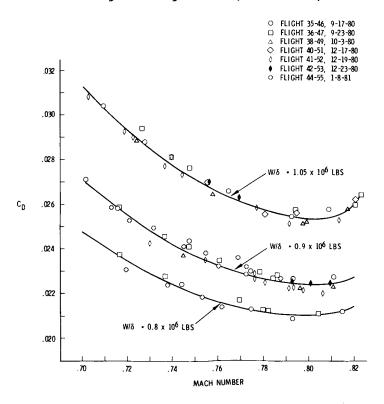


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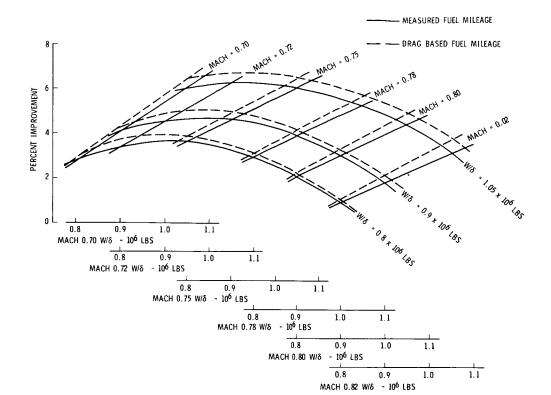


Figure 21. - KC-135A winglet flight test, cruise mileage improvement, winglet 15° cant/-4° incidence, INS energy correction

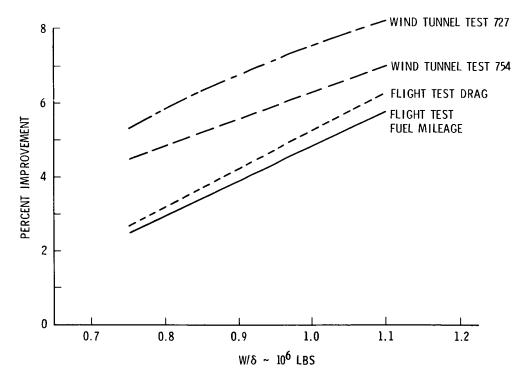


Figure 22. - KC-135A winglet flight test, cruise improvement mach = 0.78

WIND TUNNEL, MACH = .78, α_R = 2.00

- ☐ UPPER SURFACE
- LOWER SURFACE

FLIGHT TEST, MACH = .775, $\alpha_B = 2.41^{\circ}$

- UPPER SURFACE
- LOWER SURFACE

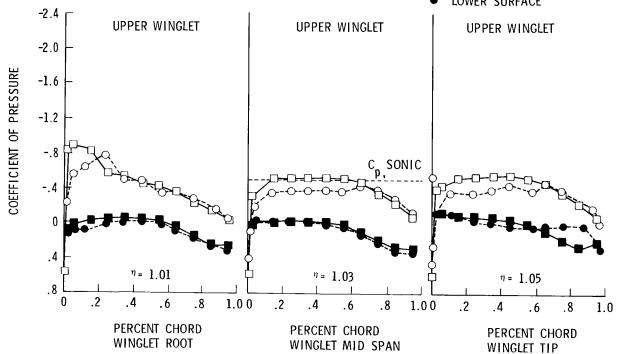


Figure 23. - KC-135 winglet program flight test and wind tunnel test winglet pressure comparison

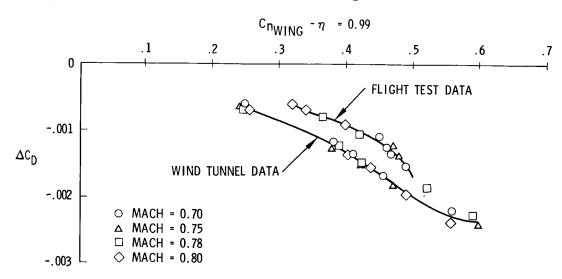


Figure 24. - Comparison of winglet flight test and wind tunnel pressure drag

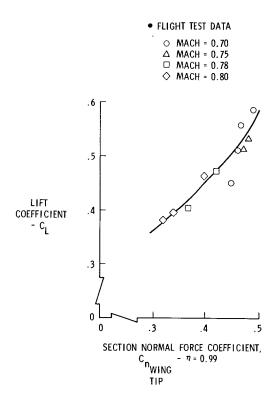


Figure 25 - Airplane lift and wing tip section normal force relationship

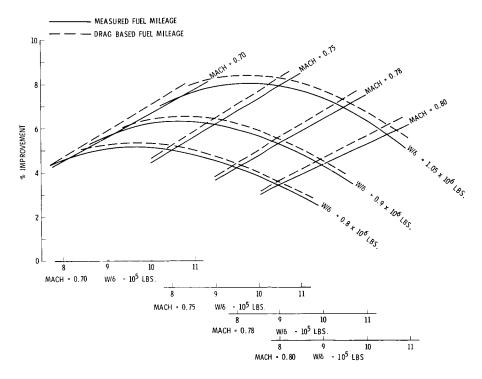


Figure 26. - KC-135A cruise mileage improvement, winglets 15° cant/-4° incidence, includes correction for pressure differences

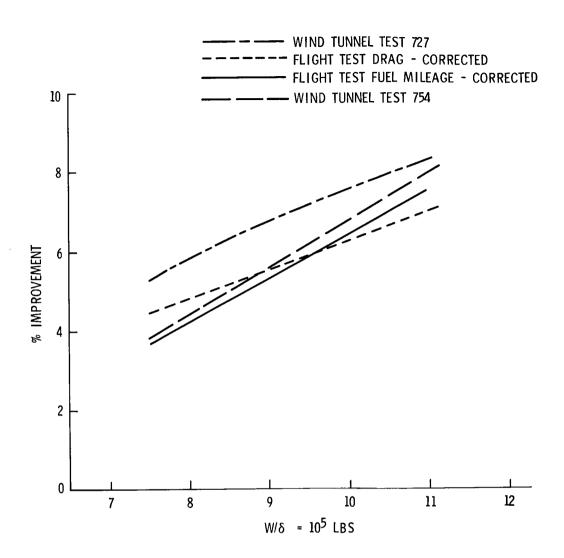


Figure 27. - KC-135A winglet flight test cruise mileage improvement, mach = 0.78

COMPARISON OF FLIGHT MEASURED, PREDICTED AND WIND TUNNEL MEASURED WINGLET CHARACTERISTICS ON A KC-135 AIRCRAFT

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SUMMARY

One of the objectives of the KC-135 Winglet Flight Research and Demonstration Program was to obtain experimental flight test data to verify the theoretical and wind tunnel winglet aerodynamic performance prediction methods. Good agreement between analytic, wind tunnel and flight test performance was obtained when the known differences between the tests and analyses were accounted for. The flight test measured fuel mileage improvements for a 0.78 Mach number was 3.1 percent at 8 x 10⁵ pounds W/ $_{\delta}$ and 5.5 percent at 1.05 x 10⁶ pounds W/ $_{\delta}$. Correcting the flight measured data for surface pressure differences between wind tunnel and flight resulted in a fuel mileage improvement of 4.4 percent at 8 x 10⁵ pounds W/ $_{\delta}$ and 7.2 percent at 1.05 x 10⁶ pounds W/ $_{\delta}$. The performance improvement obtained was within the wind tunnel test data obtained from two different wind tunnel models.

The buffet boundary data obtained for the baseline configuration was in good agreement with previously established data. Buffet data for the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration showed a slight improvement, while the 15° cant/-2° incidence and 0° cant/-4° incidence data showed a slight deterioration.

INTRODUCTION

Analytical and experimental investigations from the references 1 through 6 studies indicated that a significant drag reduction could be realized on large transport aircraft through the incorporation of winglets. Winglets were projected to reduce the KC-135 cruise drag between 6 and 8 percent, which translates into a significant fuel savings for the KC-135 fleet. This projected cruise performance improvement resulted in the KC-135 Winglet Flight Research and Demonstration Program. The primary objective of the program was to design, fabricate and flight test a set of winglets to prove the fuel conserving attributes of the winglet concept. A secondary objective was to obtain experimental flight test data to verify the theoretical and wind tunnel winglet aerodynamic performance prediction methods.

The Flight Research and Demonstration Program was a joint effort between the Boeing Military Airplane Company (BMAC), the U.S. Air Force and NASA.

BMAC, under contract to the Flight Dynamics Laboratory (FDL), designed, fabricated, ground tested and delivered a set of outboard wings and winglets, which were flight tested by NASA-Dryden. The wind tunnel performance data and the winglet external configuration description were provided by NASA-Langley. The BMAC role throughout the flight test program was to provide engineering

support and to promote understanding and confidence in the data being generated. A detailed discussion of the final results of the program can be found in references 7 and 8. Results presented in reference 9 discuss the analysis of flight test fuel mileage and drag measurements. This report summarizes the results of the comparisons between flight-measured, predicted and wind tunnel-measured winglet characteristics on the KC-135 aircraft.

SYMBOLS

ALT	Altitude
b	Wingspan
c, C	Chord Length
C _D	Drag Coefficient
C _D	Induced Drag Coefficient
$C_{\mathtt{L}}^{L}$	Lift Coefficient
Cl	Sectional Lift Coefficient
c _N A	Normal Force Coefficient
C _n	Yawing Moment Coefficient, Section Normal Force Coefficient
C _p	Pressure Coefficient
D	Drag
FM	Fuel Mileage
i _w	Winglet Incidence Angle
L	Lift
l	Winglet Height
М	Mach Number
M	Local Mach Number
MAC	Mean Aerodynamic Chord
q	Dynamic Pressure
R _N , RE NO	Reynolds Number
TSFC	Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption

W, G.W.	Gross Weight
Y	Spanwise Distance Along Wing from B.L. = 0
Z	Spanwise Distance from Winglet Root Measured in Winglet Chord Plane, or Vertical Displacement
α	Angle of Attack
α _B	Body Angle of Attack
β	Angle of Sideslip
δ	Ambient Pressure Ratio
Δ	Increment
η	Nondimensional Wing Semispan
θ	Ambient Temperature Ratio
ф	Winglet Cant Angle

WIND TUNNEL TESTS AND DATA CORRECTIONS

The airplane performance wind tunnel tests were accomplished by NASA at their Langley facilities. All tests were conducted in the NASA-Langley 8-foot Transonic Pressure Tunnel except for a limited amount of low-speed flaps-down testing in the NASA-Langley 7-foot x 10-foot High Speed Tunnel to obtain high angles of sideslip. Three different wind tunnel models were used during the NASA-Langley tests. Figure 1 pictures the 0.035 scale rigid full wing span model. The wing for this model was built in a jiq position. A photograph of the 0.035 scale model used for the flaps-down wind tunnel tests is shown in figure 2. The model is a rigid full wing span model with brackets for flap deflections of 30 degrees and 50 degrees and outboard aileron deflections. Figure 3 presents the 0.07 scale half model. This particular photograph shows the early upper and lower winglet configuration. The wing of this model had internal structural material removed so that the wing tip would deflect to an approximate full scale cruise position in the wind tunnel. Figure 4 shows the 0.07 scale wind tunnel model static pressure port span locations. On the 0.035 scale models the wing pressures were at the same locations and the winglet static pressure port span locations were at winglet stations 1.01 and 1.05. A summary of the KC-135A winglet wind tunnel test conducted at NASA-Langley is shown in table 1. The test number, model configuration, conditions and type of data recorded are presented.

The "flexible" wing wind tunnel half model used during the NASA-Langley test 727 had a clipped wing tip, the fuselage was not connected to the balance and the wing was built to deflect to a cruise flight position. The data from this test were based on the exposed trapezoidal wing area of the model. The

winglet on and off test data with the clipped wing, based on the exposed trapezoidal area, were corrected to the KC-135 wing area of 2,433 square feet. The incremental drag, due to the winglets, was obtained by taking the difference between the wing area-corrected clipped wing drag polars (winglet on and off) and then adjusting the drag increment to the correct lift by accounting for the fuselage lift carryover. To determine the fuselage lift contribution, the rigid and elastic effects for the KC-135A lift curves were used (reference 10) with the wind tunnel flexible model lift data. The drag increment was then corrected for trim drag and Reynolds number. The corrected incremental drag versus lift coefficient is shown in figure 5 for M = 0.78. The data points are the incremental drag from the wind tunnel corrected for wing area. The body lift correction was then applied and the combined trim drag and Reynolds number corrections were added. The resulting final corrections to the NASA test 727 data is shown by the dashed line. At M = 0.78 and $C_{\rm L}$ = 0.45 the drag increment was -17.5 drag counts.

The full span model used during the NASA-Langley test 754 had a rigid wing in the jig position and the winglet was at 12 degrees cant angle. A potential flow analysis was accomplished using wing and winglet geometry corrected for aeroelastic effects to determine the effect of wing aeroelastic effects on the winglet drag increment. The correction was for the cruise condition and amounted to 2.9 degrees additional wing dihedral and -2.9 degrees additional wing twist. The "flexible" wing solution reduced the winglet drag benefit compared to the rigid wing in the jig position. At a lift coefficient of 0.45 the winglet drag benefit was about 2.2 drag counts less for the "flexible" wing than the jig position wing.

From the test 727 cant angle variation there was no discernible difference in winglet drag increment between 12 and 15 degrees cant angles. The corrections for trim drag and Reynolds number were made in the same manner outlined for test 727. The winglet drag increment at M=0.78 for the NASA test 754 data is shown in figure 6. Again, the test points are noted by the symbols and the dashed line has the combined trim drag and Reynolds number correction noted on the plot.

The KC-135A winglet performance improvements predicted from the wind tunnel data are summarized in table 2. The corrected winglet drag increments obtained from both NASA wind tunnel tests 727 and 754 were added to the basic KC-135A drag polar and the cruise conditions were reoptimized for both sets of data. The performance data shown are an average from both data sets. The values shown are for a flight speed at 99 percent maximum range and the noted corrections.

SURFACE PRESSURE COMPARISONS AND ANALYSIS

During the winglet flight tests, chordwise static pressures were measured at four wing and three winglet span locations, as shown in figure 4. These were the same locations where pressures were obtained during the 0.07 scale half model wind tunnel tests.

Comparisons of the flight test and wind tunnel measured pressures for a typical cruise condition are shown in figures 7 and 8 for the wing and winglet, respectively. As can be seen in figure 7 the wing pressure comparison shows good agreement. On the flight test airplane the three inboard rows of wing pressures were measured using pressure belts. The outboard row of wing pressures were especially installed flush static ports. At the 0.92 wing semispan station the flight test pressures indicate some irregularities in the pressure belt contour. At the outboard wing station the flight test-measured pressure, at about 82 percent chord, indicates an ambient pressure. This was attributed to a bad pressure tap and was consistent throughout the flight test for all the flight test-measured pressures.

Figure 8 is a comparison of the flight test and wind tunnel measured pressures on the winglet for the same typical cruise condition. The overall agreement is good. However, a close look at the comparison reveals some subtle differences. First, the three flight test-measured pressures at the winglet tip on the outboard winglet surface at chord stations of about 0.65, 0.75 and 0.87 are bad pressure taps. Next, note the slight local velocity increase measured in flight, beginning at about 60 percent chord for the winglet midspan and tip locations. This effect on the flight test winglet pressures was due to the winglet pillowing causing an irregular contour change in the winglet airfoil shape at these locations. The effect of the winglet pillowing on the flight measured pressures actually begins at about 25 percent chord and a close look indicates an effect at all three span locations.

An inflight photograph of the inboard winglet surface is shown in figure 9, showing the surface contour pillowing when the winglet experiences inflight loads. The surface contour bulges inboard between the winglet ribs and spars due to the compressive stresses in the skin and the inboard suction of the local negative pressures.

The forward winglet spar is located at 15 percent chord and no pillowing effect on surface contour was noticed in flight along the leading edge. However, the inboard winglet root pressure comparison in figure 8 indicates a substantial difference between the flight test and wind tunnel measured pressures at the leading edge. At this Mach number both sets of data show a weak shock at about 25 or 30 percent chord. However, the flight test pressures do not peak to the same levels as the wind tunnel data. A close look at the flight test-measured pressures in this area at other Mach numbers revealed that as soon as the local flow went supersonic the leading edge pressure peak was affected.

The lowest Mach number that pressure data was obtained was 0.468 for the $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$ winglet position. During the flight test program the first winglet position tested was the $15^{\circ}/-2^{\circ}$ position in order to clear the airplane in this configuration first for flutter. During these flights a limited amount of pressure data was taken to check out the pressure instrumentation which included a condition at a Mach number of 0.468 and an angle of attack of 2.0 degrees. To aid in determining if the winglet root leading pressure peak loss was associated with a local sonic flow condition, these flight test pressures were compared to the wind tunnel pressures. The lowest Mach number at which pressure data was recorded in the wind tunnel was 0.70, and only for the $15^{\circ}/-4^{\circ}$ winglet position. A comparison of these pressures is shown in figure 10. Since the winglet positions do not have the same incidence angle, data

at three angles of attack are shown for the wind tunnel data in order to compare the general shape of the leading edge pressures. This comparison showed that at subcritical Mach numbers the winglet root leading edge was loading the way it should. This indicated that the flight test winglet root leading edge pressure peak loss was not associated with any difference in airfoil contour between flight and wind tunnel test, but rather with a local supersonic flow condition.

In an attempt to understand the differences in the leading edge pressures and to further substantiate the effect of the winglet pillowing, a comprehensive two-dimensional transonic analysis was conducted on the winglet streamwise root airfoil section. The primary tool in the analysis was the Bauer-Garabedian-Korn-Jameson 2-D transonic viscid/inviscid analysis code (references 11 and 12). The first step in the analysis was to analyze the basic airfoil, figure 11. This figure shows that the airfoil has good characteristics that are typical of supercritical airfoils. The leading edge pressures, in general, also match the winglet root, low Mach number wind tunnel pressures in figure 8. Since the airfoil ordinates used in the analysis were the same as the ordinates used in lofting, no lofting problem was suspected. However, photographs of the winglets in flight (figure 9) reveal that there was a pillowing effect on the winglets. The rib and spar construction of the flight test article allow bulging out of the unsupported skin panels. This pillowing extends from the forward spar to the aft spar and from the aft spar to the trailing edge winglet structure between the ribs.

The skin pillowing was estimated to bulge approximately one-quarter inch on the 65 inch chord, or 0.38 percent chord at the winglet root station. The model airfoil geometry was modified to simulate the presence of this pillowing. The modified airfoil geometry was again analyzed and the results are shown in figure 12. It should be pointed out that because of the sweep of the winglet, $M_{\text{normal}} = 0.64$ is approximately equal to $M_{\text{freestream}} = 0.78$. Comparing the aft 50 percent of these pressures to the aft 50 percent of the flight test pressures in figure 8 shows a very close resemblance in shapes. One cannot expect the magnitudes to match because of the three-dimensional losses from the analysis; however, the shapes of the curves should be similar.

The comparisons of the aft portions of the pressures are very similar, but the leading edge pressures do not indicate a leading edge pressure peak loss due to the skin pillowing. A close examination of the flight test photographs and conferences with the structural engineers indicated that the pillowing between the spars may not have been modeled correctly. The way the skin panel is mounted to the ribs and spar would not allow the pillowing to extend over as large a portion of the chord as originally assumed. Remodeling the airfoil, as shown at the bottom of figure 13, yielded the corresponding changes in the pressures. At slightly higher Mach numbers, the pressures seem to hold a peak at about 33 percent chord similar to the flight test pressures. However, the leading edge pressure peak was not appreciably affected.

Since the leading edge pressures were experiencing higher peaks in the analysis than in the flight test at cruise Mach numbers and the flight test pressures match wind tunnel pressures at low subcritical Mach numbers, it was concluded that a small region of separation exists on the winglet leading edge and grows with Mach number on the flight test article. The reason the separation did not show in the wind tunnel data may have been because the wind tunnel

model had a trip strip at 5 percent chord. Although the grit size was small, No. 22, it was still 3 to 4 times greater than the displacement thickness of a laminar boundary layer at this point. The grit in this case may have been doing more than forcing a transition from laminar to turbulent flow in the boundary layer. The grit may have been acting like a row of very small vortex generators which were injecting energy into the boundary layer, preventing separation.

The next step in the investigation was to define what effect the differences between flight test and wind tunnel measured winglet pressures had on winglet pressure drag. To do this, the winglet flight test and wind tunnel pressure data were transformed to suction and drag loops along the winglet span using the winglet incidence angle. This was accomplished for all Mach numbers and angles of attack for which wind tunnel and flight test pressure data existed. A typical comparison between flight test and wind tunnel data at cruise conditions is shown in figures 14 through 16 for the three winglet stations. Note the relatively large difference in the suction loop area at the winglet root station due to the flight test leading edge pressure peak loss.

A chordwise and spanwise integration on the winglet of these data yielded the incremental winglet pressure drag data shown in figure 17. Note that the drag data are shown plotted against the section normal force at the outboard wing station instead of the usual total airplane lift coefficient. This was done to compensate for any differences in aeroelastic twist at the wing tip between the wind tunnel model and the flight test airplane. The relationship between airplane lift coefficient and wing tip normal force coefficient for the flight test airplane is shown in figure 18.

Referring back to the incremental pressure drag plot in figure 17 indicates that at typical cruise conditions the difference between the flight test and wind tunnel measured drag data would be about 4 drag counts, which is about 1.5 to 2 percent when transformed to a cruise fuel mileage benefit. This difference reveals the importance of the aerodynamic pressure loading on the winglet in order to obtain the expected winglet performance benefit.

In order to obtain a feel for the amount of the drag difference obtained between flight test and wind tunnel data that can be attributed to the winglet root leading edge suction loss and the winglet pillowing effect, the winglet root suction/drag loop for the flight test was assumed to be exactly equal to the wind tunnel data. Performing a similar integration over the winglet revealed the drag differences shown in figure 19. The drag differences shown here between the flight test and wind tunnel data are approximately the differences that can be attributed to the winglet pillowing effect. About one-third of the total difference shown in figure 17 can be attributed to winglet pillowing and two-thirds to the winglet root leading edge suction loss obtained in flight.

COMPARISONS OF WIND TUNNEL AND THEORETICAL PREDICTION TO FLIGHT TEST DATA

One of the objectives of the KC-135 Winglet Flight Research and Demonstration Program was to obtain experimental flight test data to verify the theoretical and wind tunnel winglet performance prediction methods.

Theoretical surface pressures and drag increments due to the winglets were compared to wind tunnel and flight test data for selected conditions. The following discussion presents the results of these comparisons.

A comparison of theoretical potential flow, wind tunnel and flight test pressure distributions on the wing tip and winglet are presented in figure 20. The comparison is at a Mach number of 0.70. The overall comparison is good. The potential flow wing geometry had an aeroelastic twist distribution representative of typical 1g cruise conditions. Also note in figure 20 the loss of the leading edge pressure peak at the winglet root obtained from the flight test data.

Integrating the wind tunnel and flight test pressure data to obtain the section normal force results in the typical comparison shown in figure 21. The 15° cant/-4° incidence angle data compared well. At the winglet midspan and tip positions the flight test data may be slightly lower compared to the wind tunnel data. The 15° cant/-2° incidence data show the winglet carrying more load as expected.

Flight test incremental drag results are compared to wind tunnel and theoretical predicted drag increments in figures 22 through 24. The flight test data shown in the figures have the pressure drag increment correction included. The wind tunnel drag increments have been corrected for Reynolds number and trim drag.

The data shown in figure 20 compares the test data to a predicted theoretical drag increment at a Mach number of 0.70. The theoretical drag increment was obtained using the same potential flow geometry model with aeroelastic twist that was discussed before. The wing and winglet potential flow span loading solution was again used as input to a Trefftz plane analysis computer program to compute the induced drag. The induced drag was then corrected for skin friction and trim drag. As can be seen in figure 22, the comparison was good between theory, wind tunnel and flight test. Since the theoretical potential flow method was a subcritical flow method, only a comparison at a Mach number of 0.70 is shown. At the higher Mach numbers shock waves begin to appear on the surface and the method is no longer valid.

Wind tunnel predicted and flight test incremental drag comparisons at higher Mach numbers are shown in figures 23 and 24. In each case the comparison was good except at a Mach number of 0.82. The flight test drag increment shows less improvement than predicted from wind tunnel data at this Mach number. This was attributed to the winglet root leading edge pressure peak loss in flight and the surface pillowing problems becoming more aggravated at this higher Mach number, as previously discussed.

The KC-135A performance improvements based on these incremental drag data are shown in table 3. The winglet drag increment was added to the basic KC-135A Flight Manual drag polar and cruise conditions were reoptimized. The wind tunnel-predicted fuel mileage improvement value previous to the flight test was 6.3 percent (table 2) and, using the flight test obtained drag increment, the fuel mileage improvement was 6.5 percent. These percentages were obtained by ratioing the winglet on and off fuel mileage at the optimum W/ δ of each configuration.

Figure 25 presents the performance benefit for winglets obtained from flight test fuel mileage and drag data compared to the wind tunnel predicted improvement at M=0.78. The percent improvement shown has been corrected to account for the winglet surface pressure discrepancies. Good agreement was obtained between the corrected flight test data and the corrected full model wind tunnel data.

Buffet boundaries were established during the flight test program using wing tip mounted accelerometer data. Data were obtained for the winglets on configurations as well as for the baseline configuration, as shown in figure 26. The buffet boundary data obtained for the baseline configuration was in good agreement with the previously established data. The buffet data for the 15° cant/-4° incidence configuration shows a slight improvement over the baseline. The 15° cant/-2° incidence configuration showed a slight deterioration to the baseline configuration again indicating that the additional winglet loading was causing an earlier flow separation. The 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration exhibited buffet characteristics similar to the 15° cant/-2° incidence configuration. The decrease in buffet boundary for the 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration is in agreement with the performance data that showed a lower than predicted performance increase, possibly due to flow separation between the wing tip and winglet root.

CONCLUSIONS

Results of the KC-135 winglet flight test have verified that the performance improvement can be predicted using conventional analytic and wind tunnel testing techniques. The data show that winglet retrofit would provide a six percent performance improvement for the KC-135 at the optimum cruise condition.

Particular attention should be paid to the design of the wing tip and winglet intersection. Since the drag differences obtained between flight test and wind tunnel data were significant, the implications for a production winglet design are important. First a production winglet should be constructed so that no winglet pillowing could occur, possibly by using composite material or reinforced honeycomb techniques. Second, a production winglet should be designed so that the highly sensitive winglet root leading edge area does not experience a peak pressure loss during flight conditions that result in locally supersonic flow in this area. A row of vortex generators to prevent a separation bubble or a winglet root leading edge fairing to prevent local supersonic flow conditions are two possible solutions.

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TABLE 1. - KC-135A WINGLET WIND TUNNEL TESTS

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	Pressure	Winglet	×	x			×	×	×	×	
Data	Pres	Wing	Х	x	x		×		×	-	
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	0.85				×						
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	0.75		Х		×						
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Fuselage codes:

Wing codes:

A - Semispan 0.070 scale KC-135A
B - Full span cylindrical body of revolution
C - Full span 0.035 scale KC-135A
D - Semispan 0.07 scale KC-135A
E - Full span 0.035 scale KC-135A; right hand panel has orifice rows
F - Full span 0.035 scale KC-135A; provisions for flaps and ailerons
G - OFF, 0°, -4°, -10°

Hor. tail code:

TABLE 2. - KC-135A WINGLET PERFORMANCE BENEFITS PREDICTED

FROM WIND TUNNEL DATA

- Flight speed for 99% maximum range
- Climb cruise corrected
- 5% service tolerance (fuel flow increase per MIL-C-5011B)
- Bleed and power extraction included (1.25%)

	W/δ** (lbs)	Mach	L/D*	M(L/D)*	TSFC*/ $\sqrt{\theta}$ (lb/hr-lb)	Fuel* Mileage (nm/lb)	Range** Factor (nm)
KC-135A (basic)	882,300	0.79	17.4	13.8	1.1151	0.0407	8084
KC-135A with winglets	933,000	0.79	18.4	14.6	1.1106	0.0433	8597
Percent change relative to KC-135A			5.7%	5.8%	0.4%	6.3%	6.3%

^{*200,000} lbs gross weight

^{**}Average over gross weight range (includes owe change for winglets)

TABLE 3. - KC-135A WINGLET PERFORMANCE BENEFITS PREDICTED

FROM FLIGHT TEST DATA

- Flight speed for 99% maximum range
- Climb cruise corrected
- 5% service tolerance (fuel flow increase per MIL-C-5011B)
- Bleed and power extraction included (1.25%)

	₩/δ** (lbs)	Mach	L/D*	M(L/D) *	TSFC*/√θ (lb/hr-lb)	Fuel* Mileage (nm/lb)	Range** Factor (nm)
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KC-135A with winglets	942,000	0.79	18.43	14.63	1.1114	0.04335	8611
Percent change relative to KC-135A			5.9%	6.0%	0.33%	6.5%	6.5%

^{*200,000} lbs gross weight

^{**}Average over gross weight range (includes owe change for winglets)

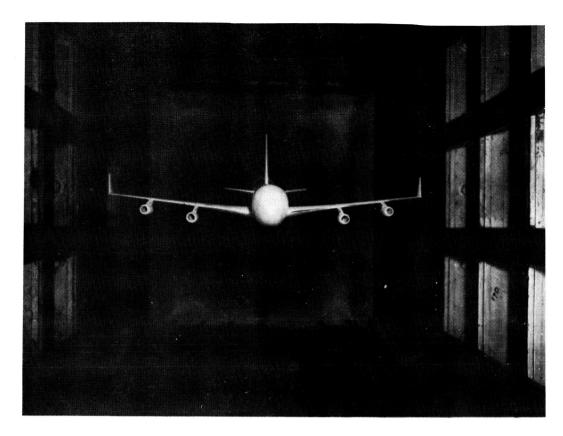


Figure 1. - Rigid wind tunnel model - 0.035 scale



Figure 2. - Flaps down wind tunnel model - 0.035 scale



Figure 3. - Wind tunnel half-model - 0.07 scale

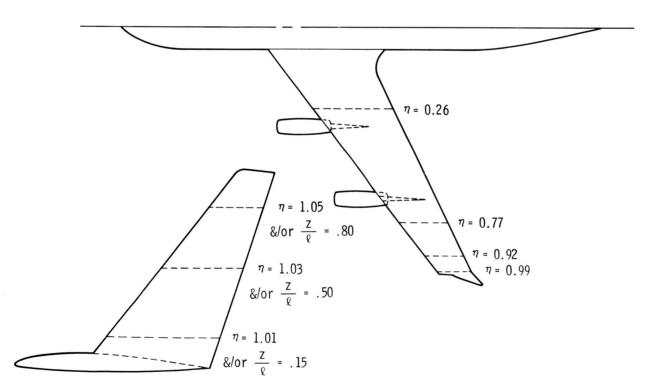


Figure 4. - Wing and winglet static pressure span locations

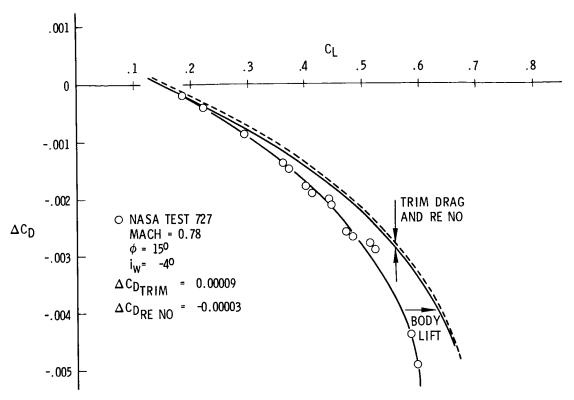


Figure 5. - Winglet drag increment wind tunnel data corrections, 0.07 scale flexible wing half model

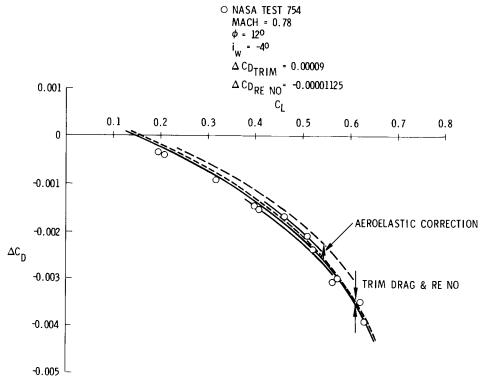


Figure 6. - KC-135 winglet drag increment - wind tunnel data corrections, 0.035 scale rigid full model

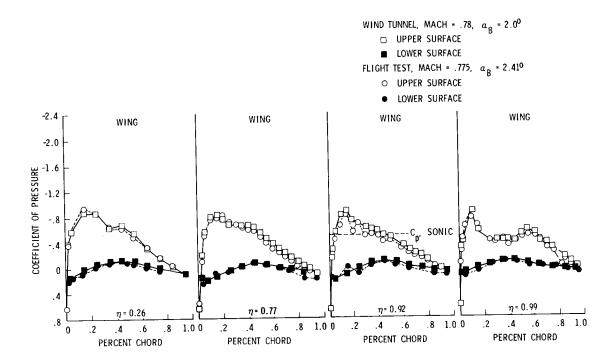


Figure 7. - KC-135 winglet program - flight test and wind tunnel test wing pressure comparison

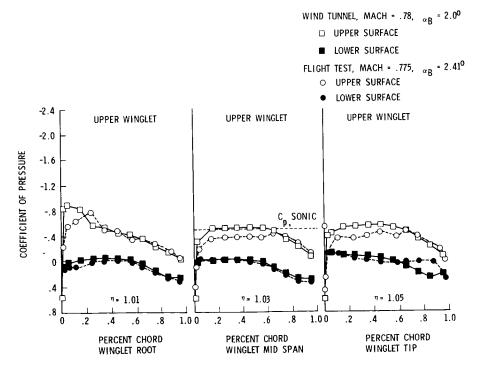


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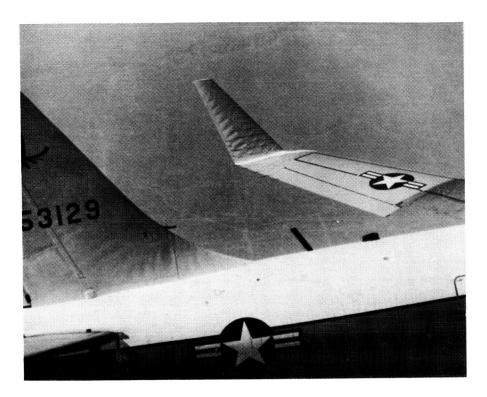


Figure 9. - Winglet in flight with skin "pillowing"

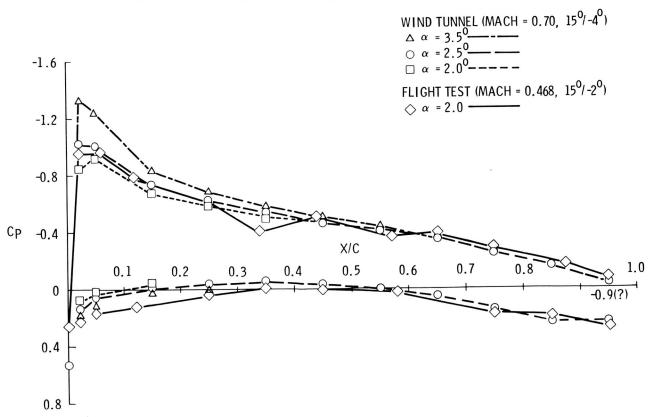


Figure 10. - Pressure comparisons near winglet root, η = 1.01 and/or Z/L = 0.15 162

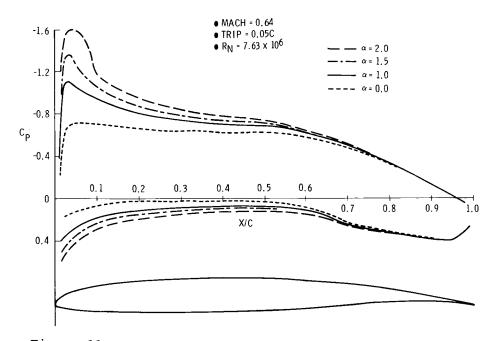


Figure 11. - Bauer-Garabedian-Korn-Jameson 2-D transonic airfoil analysis (smooth airfoil)

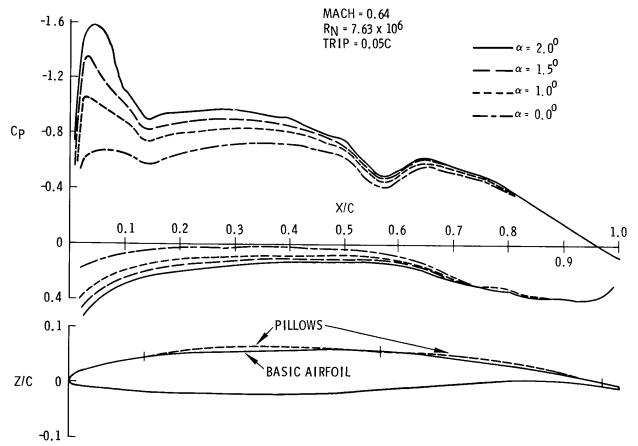


Figure 12. - Bauer-Garabedian-Korn-Jameson 2-D transonic airfoil analysis with 0.004C pillows

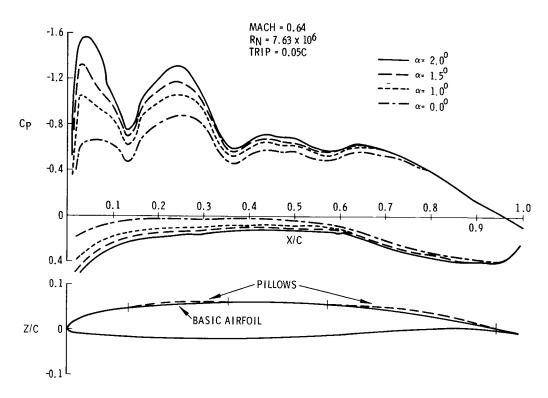


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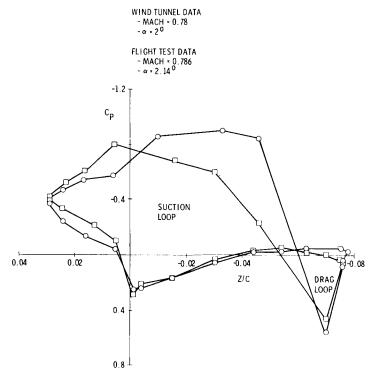


Figure 14. - Sectional drag comparison, $\eta = 1.01$



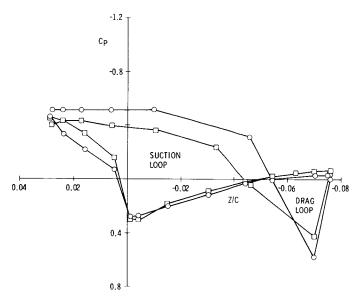


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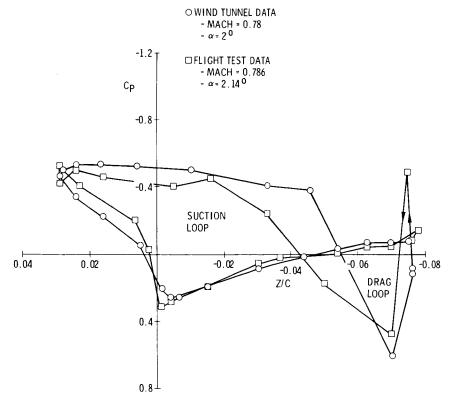


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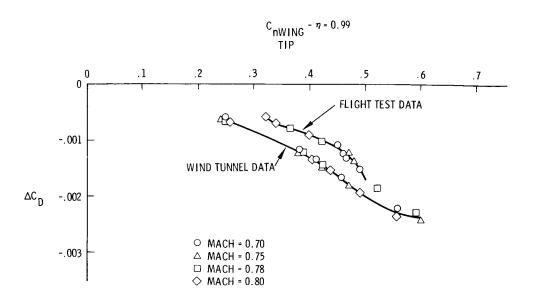


Figure 17. - Comparison of winglet flight test and wind tunnel pressure drag

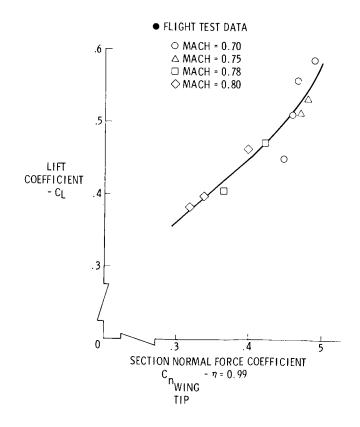


Figure 18. - Airplane lift and wing tip section normal force relationship

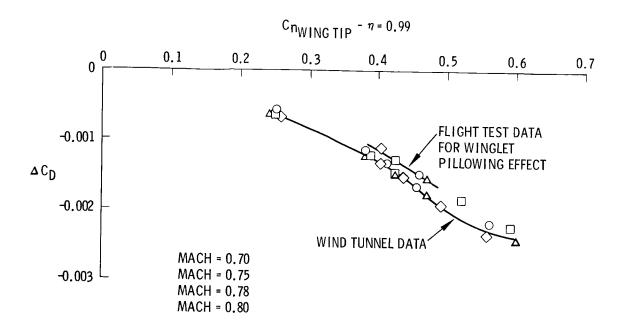


Figure 19. - Comparison of winglet flight test and wind tunnel pressure drag

- MACH = 0.78
- WIND TUNNEL DATA TEST 727 "FLEXIBLE" WING MODEL. 15° CANT, -4° INCIDENCE
- ☐ FLIGHT TEST DATA, 15° CANT. -4° INCIDENCE
- △ FLIGHT TEST DATA, 15° CANT, -2° INCIDENCE

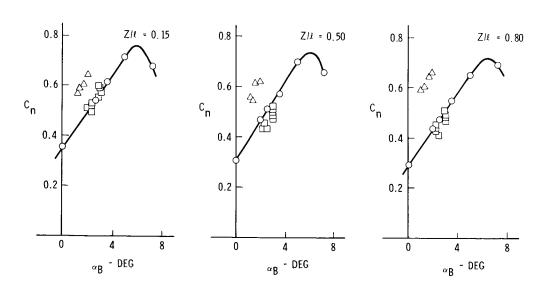


Figure 20. - Comparison of theory, wind tunnel and flight test KC-135 winglets and wing tip pressures, mach = 0.70, ϕ = 15°, i_W = -4°

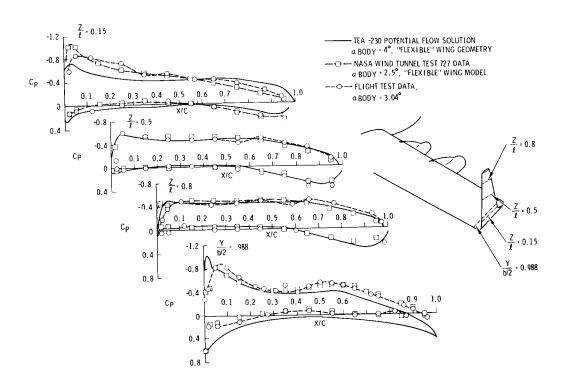


Figure 21. - KC-135 winglet section normal force comparison of wind tunnel to flight test data

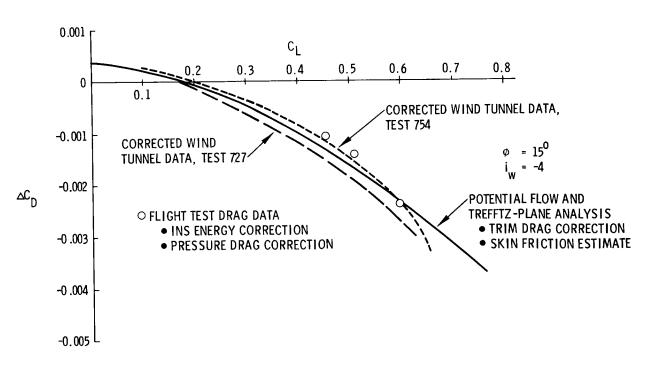


Figure 22. - Comparison of flight measured, theoretical and wind tunnel predicted incremental drag due to winglets, mach = 0.70

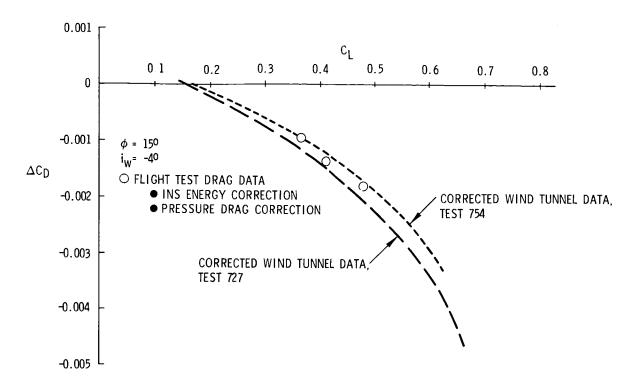


Figure 23. - Comparison of flight measured and wind tunnel predicted incremental drag due to winglets, mach = 0.78

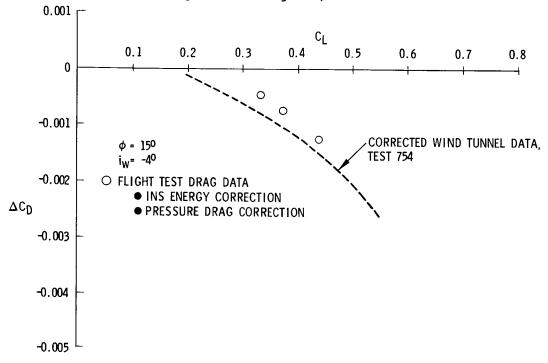
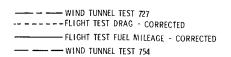


Figure 24. - Comparison of flight measured and wind tunnel predicted incremental drag due to winglets, mach = 0.82



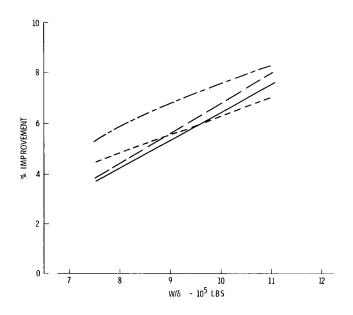


Figure 25. - KC-135A winglet flight test cruise mileage improvement, mach = 0.78

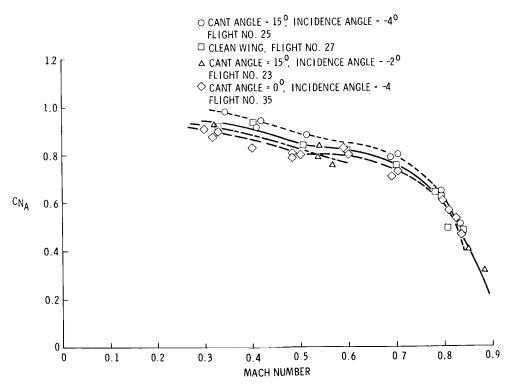


Figure 26. - KC-135 buffet boundaries

KC-135A WINGLET FLIGHT FLUTTER PROGRAM

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SUMMARY

This paper discusses the evaluation techniques, results and conclusions for the flight flutter testing conducted on a KC-135A airplane configured with and without winglets. Test results are presented for the critical symmetric and antisymmetric modes for a fuel distribution that consisted of 10,000 pounds in each wing main tank and empty reserve tanks. The results indicated that a lightly damped oscillation was experienced for a winglet configuration of 0° cant and -4° incidence. The effects of cant and incidence angle variation on the critical modes are also discussed. Lightly damped oscillations were not encountered for any other winglet cant and incidence angles tested.

INTRODUCTION

A KC-135A aircraft was modified with winglets for use in a flight research and demonstration program to evaluate the effects of winglets on the performance of the airplane. Due to the addition of the winglet and the structural modifications necessary for the attachment to the wing, flight flutter testing of the airplane was required. The methods used to clear the KC-135A with winglets for flutter were:

- 1. A low speed wind tunnel flutter model test (reference 1).
- 2. A ground vibration test (GVT) of a cantilevered outer wing panel with the winglet attached (reference 2).
- 3. A predictive flutter analysis (reference 3).
- 4. A flight flutter test (reference 4).

The concept used for this program was to compare flight test data for the airplane with winglets off (baseline) versus winglets on to determine the effects of winglets on the basic airplane. The winglets on data were comprised of data for different winglet cant and incident angle configurations.

The objectives of the program were:

- 1. To provide a flutter clearance for the KC-135A winglet airplane to allow performance and loads testing on the baseline and selected winglet configurations.
- 2. To obtain frequency and damping information for critical structural modes of vibration.

ABBREVIATIONS

ALT	Altitude					
CONF	Configuration					
F	Frequency					
g	Damping Coefficient					
G	Modal Damping same as g					
GVT	Ground Vibration Test					
KCAS	Knots Calibrated Airspeed					
KEAS	Knots Equivalent Airspeed					
LE	Leading Edge					
L/H	Left Hand					
R/H	Right Hand					
S/N	Serial Number					
TE	Trailing Edge					
v _D	Limit Dive Speed					

WINGLET AND FUEL CONFIGURATIONS TESTED

Flutter testing of the KC-135A winglet airplane was originally planned to be accomplished at an altitude of 21,500 feet for the winglet off (baseline) configuration and for the following winglet cant and incidence configurations:

- 15° cant/-2° incidence.
- 15° cant/-6° incidence.
- 0° cant/-2° incidence.
- 0° cant/-6° incidence.

other winglet configurations for flutter.

USAF selected optimum (later determined to be 15° cant/-4° incidence).

The USAF selected optimum winglet configuration was also to be tested at an altitude of 35,000 feet. Flight testing these configurations would clear all

The flutter speed was dependent on the airplane fuel distribution. The lowest flutter speed for the critical symmetric mode was predicted by analysis and exhibited in the wind tunnel to occur when the wing fuel tanks were nearly empty (light wing fuel loading). The critical antisymmetric mode was predicted to yield the lowest flutter speed with the wing tanks full (heavy wing fuel loading). In order to verify wind tunnel test data and the predictive flutter

analysis, the first winglet configuration (15° cant/-2° incidence) was to be tested with the first five different fuel configurations presented in table 1.

Due to program constraints fuel configuration 2 was eliminated. The locations of the fuel tanks in the airplane are illustrated in figure 1. The winglet off and all other winglet on configurations were to be flight tested in the heavy and light wing fuel configurations. For the flight test program, fuel configurations 5 and 6 were the light and heavy wing loading, respectively.

The test data for the 15° cant/-2° incidence winglet configuration indicated that the lowest damping exhibited for the antisymmetric mode was with fuel configuration 4. The lowest damped symmetric mode was exhibited with fuel configuration 5 but there was not a significant change in damping trend or level between configurations 4 and 5. The antisymmetric mode appeared to be the most critical so it was decided to test all other winglet configurations with fuel configurations 4 and 6 instead of 5 and 6.

During the first flutter flight, significant skin wrinkling was noticed on the winglets. Due to uncertainty of the effect of the wrinkling on the performance of the winglets, program engineers chose to deviate from the flight test plan and to test the 15° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration next. It was at this configuration that the majority of wind tunnel pressure distribution data had been acquired. Subsequently, a decision was made not to test all four corners of the winglet configuration matrix (figure 2) for flutter, but to limit the remaining configurations to those specifically needed to be cleared for performance testing.

ENVELOPE EXPANSION

Flutter testing was accomplished at an altitude of 21,500 feet. A maximum Mach number of 0.91 and airspeed of 395 knots equivalent airspeed (KEAS) were attainable at this altitude. Each flutter flight consisted of a constant altitude, incremental airspeed flight envelope expansion. Aircraft dives were required for test points above 390 knots calibrated airspeed (KCAS). The incremental airspeed test points are illustrated in figure 3. The yaw damper was off and the rudder boost power was on for all these test points.

Test points at 300, 350 and 390 KCAS were repeated with the autopilot turned on to evaluate the effect of the autopilot on the flutter characteristics of the airplane.

INSTRUMENTATION

Flutter instrumentation onboard the airplane consisted of accelerometers and control surface position indicators as listed in table 2. Locations of the instrumentation on the airplane are shown in figure 4. The airspeed and altitude were measured from a nose boom installed on the test airplane.

EXCITATION

The structure was excited at each test point by pilot induced control surface pulses. The excitation consisted of nose-up and nose-down elevator pulses, left and right rudder pulses and left and right aileron pulses for all straight and level test points. For test points that required dives, only a nose-up elevator pulse, a left rudder pulse and left aileron pulse were accomplished.

Random atmospheric turbulence was used to excite the structural modes of vibration which were not excited by control surface pulses. Typically, two minutes of random data were collected at the test points of interest.

TEST RESULTS

Eight symmetric and five antisymmetric modes were tracked during the program for each winglet configuration tested. The velocity/frequency and velocity/damping plots for each winglet configuration tested are contained in reference 4.

Significant skin wrinkling was present on the winglets during all flights. The depth of the wrinkles appeared to increase with an increase in dynamic pressure. A review of pressure distributions and modal frequency data indicated that the winglet skin wrinkling did not have a significant effect on the flutter characteristics of the winglet.

The damping values calculated for autopilot-on test points were similar to data calculated for autopilot-off test points. The autopilot-on data did not reveal any significant changes in structural damping for all winglet configurations tested.

The winglet structural modes were monitored during data analysis. The pilot induced pulses did not excite the winglet modes because of the low frequency content of the pulses. Random data were acquired at selected test points to analyze the winglets modes. The damping levels of the winglet were satisfactory from a flutter standpoint.

SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS FOR ELEVATOR EXCITATION

The critical mode excited by elevator pulses was approximately 4.5 Hz. The flight test data indicated the 4.5 Hz mode consistently exhibited a flat damping trend with damping values generally lower than other modes excited by elevator pulses. Flight test results also indicated the damping to be the lowest for this mode in fuel configuration 5 (2,500 pounds in each wing main tank, reserve tanks empty). The response of this mode was most clearly indicated by the wing tip longitudinal accelerometer.

Predictive flutter analysis indicated that a 4.6 Hz symmetric mode exhibited the lowest flutter speed for a fuel configuration which included empty body and center wing tanks, empty outboard main and reserve tanks, and inboard main tanks 46 percent full. The analysis predicted a 35 percent

margin of safety. Wind tunnel testing indicated the frequency of the critical symmetric mode to be 4.5 to 4.8 Hz for the same fuel configuration.

A comparison of the frequency and damping trends between the baseline and winglets on configurations is presented in figures 5 and 6 for the 4.5 Hz mode. The fuel loading was configuration 4. The data points were faired so that the general data trends can be followed. The baseline frequency (4.9 Hz) was greater than the frequencies for the winglets on configurations $(\cong 4.5 \text{ Hz})$.

The comparison of the cant angle variation results (figure 5) yielded:

- 1. The baseline configuration exhibited the highest damping values.
- 2. As the cant angle was decreased from 15° to 0°, the damping increased.
- 3. The damping trends were fairly flat.
- 4. The winglets on frequency trends exhibited a small increase in frequency as airspeed was increased.

The comparison of the incidence angle variation (figure 6) results yielded:

- 1. The baseline configuration exhibited the highest damping values.
- As the incidence angle was increased from -2° to -4°, the damping decreased.
- 3. The damping trends were fairly flat.
- 4. The winglets on frequency trends revealed a small increase in frequency as airspeed was increased.

SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS FOR AILERON AND RUDDER EXCITATION

The critical mode excited by aileron and rudder pulses was a 3.0 Hz antisymmetric mode. A damping of $\bar{g}=0.015$ was obtained for this mode at 370 KEAS with fuel configuration 4 (10,000 pounds in each wing main tank, empty reserves) for the 0° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration. Wind tunnel test data indicated that a 2.8 Hz mode was the critical antisymmetric mode. However, the critical wind tunnel fuel configuration was with wing main and reserve fuel tanks full.

A 4.3 Hz antisymmetric mode was analytically predicted to have the lowest flutter speed. The fuel configuration in the analysis was:

Tank	Percent Full
Forward Body	90.2
Center Wing	47.3
Aft Body	100
Upper Deck	42.8
Wing Inboard Main	100
Wing Outboard Main	100
Reserve	100

The predicted flutter speed margin of safety for this antisymmetric mode was greater than the margin for the critical symmetric mode (4.6 Hz).

A comparison of the frequency and damping trends between the baseline and winglets on configurations is presented in figures 7 and 8 for the 3.0 Hz mode. The fuel loading was configuration 4. The frequency of the baseline configuration was lower than the frequency of the winglets on configurations in spite of the increased wing tip mass. The difference is most likely due to the aerodynamic effects of the winglets on the wing structure.

A comparison of the cant angle variation results (figure 7) yielded:

- 1. At airspeeds below 330 KEAS, the damping level was about equal for the baseline and winglets on configurations.
- 2. At airspeeds above 330 KEAS, the baseline configuration had the highest level of damping.
- 3. At airspeeds above 360 KEAS, the damping decreased as the cant angle decreased from 15° to 0° . Testing was terminated at 370 KEAS for the 0° cant configuration.
- 4. The baseline and the 15° cant configuration frequency trends exhibited an increase in frequency as the airspeed was increased above 340 KEAS.
- 5. The 0° cant configuration exhibited a fairly flat frequency trend.
- A comparison of the incidence angle variation (figure 8) revealed:
- 1. At airspeeds above 360 KEAS, the baseline configuration exhibited the highest damping.
- 2. The -2° and -4° incidence angle data exhibited similar damping trends.
- 3. At airspeeds above 340 KEAS, the frequency trends for the baseline and winglets on configurations increased in frequency as airspeed was increased.

Testing was terminated at 370 KEAS with fuel configuration 4 due to a lightly damped 3.0 Hz antisymmetric oscillation in the 0° cant/-4° incidence winglet configuration. The damping exhibited at termination was $\bar{g} = 0.015$. The 3.0 Hz mode was best excited by aileron pulses. The time history traces of several accelerometers responding to an aileron pulse at 370 KEAS are presented in figure 9. The inflight mode shape of this 3.0 Hz oscillation is presented in table 3. The frequency and damping trends for a 2.6 Hz mode and 3.0 Hz mode are presented in figure 10. The data exhibited a constant increase in frequency for the 2.6 Hz mode while the 3.0 Hz mode frequency trend remained flat. Both modes exhibited wing bending and wing torsion at all airspeeds. It appeared that the coalescence of these two modes was the cause of the oscillation for this flight configuration. The coalescence of the 2.6 Hz and 3.0 Hz modes did not occur in other winglet configurations that were flight flutter The damping trends for both modes exhibit a constant decrease in damping starting at 330 KEAS. The modes could no longer be separated at airspeeds above 355 KEAS. There were no adverse damping trends exhibited for the 0° cant/ -4° incidence winglet configuration with fuel configuration 6. Testing was terminated at 382 KEAS due to the onset of Mach buffet. It was thought that keeping the airplane out of buffet would help reduce the number of fuel leaks

that were occurring in the airplane. There was no indication from the flutter data obtained that the testing could not have continued to 395 KEAS.

CORRELATION WITH ANALYSIS

A comparison of flight test data with analysis for the 3.0 Hz antisymmetric mode is presented in figure 11. The winglet configuration was 0° cant/-4° incidence. The fuel loading was fuel configuration 4. This analysis (figure 11) was accomplished after the flight test data was obtained. The exact fuel distribution was incorporated in the analysis. The flight test damping exhibited a steep slope toward zero damping around 500 knots true airspeed (KTAS). The analysis does not predict a flutter speed with either 0.85 or 0.95 Mach number aerodynamics. There is no explanation at this time for the lack of correlation between the flight test data and the analysis.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Flight flutter testing was accomplished for the KC-135A winglet airplane in the baseline (modified wing tips - no winglets) configuration to a maximum airspeed of 397 KEAS at an altitude of 21,500 feet with the wing main and reserve tanks full of fuel. The aircraft was also tested to a maximum airspeed of 395 KEAS at an altitude of 21,500 feet with 10,000 pounds of fuel in each wing main tank and reserve tanks empty. The results showed satisfactory damping and damping trends for all structural modes.

Flutter testing was also accomplished for the KC-135A winglet airplane configured in the following conditions:

Cant (degrees)	Incidence (degrees)	Maximum Airspeed (KEAS) Tested	Fuel
15	-2	393	Wing Main Tanks Full, Reserve Tanks Full, Minimum Body Fuel
15	-2	399	10,000 lbs in Main Tanks 1,300 lbs in Reserve Tanks
15	-2	392	10,000 lbs in Main Tanks Empty Reserve Tanks
15	-2	399	2,500 lbs in Main Tanks Empty Reserve Tanks
15	-4	398	Wing Main Tanks Full Reserve Tanks Full
15	-4	395	10,000 lbs in Main Tanks Empty Reserve Tanks
0	-4	370	10,000 lbs in Main Tanks Empty Reserve Tanks
0	-4	382	Wing Main Tanks Full Reserve Tanks Full

The results revealed satisfactory damping for all winglet configurations tested except the 0° cant/-4° incidence configuration. Testing was terminated in this winglet configuration at 370 KEAS at an altitude of 21,500 feet due to a lightly damped ($\bar{g}=0.015$), 3.0 Hz antisymmetric oscillation. The fuel distribution at this condition was 10,000 pounds in each wing main tank and empty wing reserve tanks.

As the cant angle was decreased from 15° to 0° , the damping of the critical symmetric mode increased. As the incidence angle was increased from -2° to -4° , the damping decreased. The critical symmetric mode exhibited the highest damping in the baseline configuration.

The critical antisymmetric mode exhibited the highest damping in the baseline configuration. At airspeeds above 330 KEAS, the damping level decreased with winglets installed on the airplane regardless of cant or incidence angle configuration. The -2° and -4° incidence angle data exhibited similar damping trends. At airspeeds above 360 KEAS, the damping decreased as the cant angle decreased from 15° to 0°.

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TABLE 1. - PLANNED TEST FUEL CONFIGURATIONS

Fuel	Center Wing	Wing Fuel - Pounds Per Tank		
Configuration Number	and Body Fuel	Main Tanks	Reserves	
1	Note 1	Full	Full	
2	Note 3	Full	Full	
3	Note 2	10,000	1,300	
4	Note 2	10,000	0	
5	Note 2	2,500	0	
6	Note 2	Full	Full	

Notes

- 1. As required to complete condition with minimum body fuel.
- 2. As required to accomplish testing.
- 3. As required to maintain a gross weight above 230,000 pounds at end of test condition.

TABLE 2. - AIRCRAFT FLUTTER INSTRUMENTATION

Item No.	Parameter Identification
1	R/H Wing Tip LE Normal Acceleration
2	R/H Wing Tip TE Normal Acceleration
3	R/H Wing Tip LE Longitudinal Acceleration
4	R/H Winglet LE Normal Acceleration
5	R/H Winglet TE Normal Acceleration
6	R/H Winglet LE Longitudinal Acceleration
7	L/H Wing Tip LE Normal Acceleration
8	L/H Winglet LE Normal Acceleration
9	L/H Winglet LE Longitudinal Acceleration
10	R/H Otbd Nacelle Normal Acceleration
11	R/H Otbd Nacelle Lateral Acceleration
12	Aft Body Normal Acceleration
13	Aft Body Lateral Acceleration
14	R/H Horizontal Stabilizer Acceleration
15	Vertical Fin Lateral Acceleration
16	L/H Inbd Aileron Position
17	R/H Inbd Aileron Position
18	L/H Otbd Aileron Position
19	R/H Otbd Aileron Position
20	L/H Elevator Position
21	R/H Elevator Position
22	Rudder Position
23	Lower Wing Skin Panel Acceleration

See Figure 4 for locations

TABLE 3. - 3.0 Hz LIGHTLY DAMPED OSCILLATION MODE SHAPE Reference: R/H Fwd Wing Tip Normal Accelerometer Flight Conditions: 370 KEAS, 21,500 ft., Fuel Configuration 4

Accelerometer	Phase (Degrees)	Direction of Motion	Normalized Amplitude
R/H Fwd Wingtip Normal	! ! !	ďn	1.0
R/H Rear Wingtip Normal	0	ďn	1.16
R/H Wingtip Longitudinal	180	Rear	0.29
R/H Fwd Winglet Normal	0	Inboard	0.29
R/H Winglet Longitudinal	0	Fwd (R/H Wing LE Down)	1.19
L/H Fwd Wingtip Normal	180	Outboard	0.19
Aft Body Lateral	0	Right	0.16
Vertical Fin Lateral	0	Right	0.48
R/H Horizontal Stabilizer	180	Down	0.5

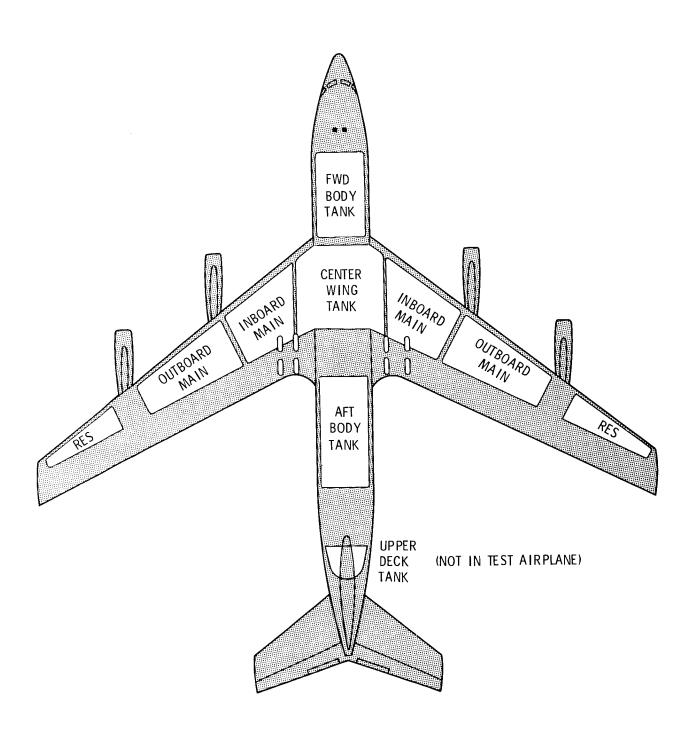


Figure 1. - Airplane fuel tank locations

ORIGINAL PLAN

WINGLET CANT ANGLE

	U	7.5	15
W I N -2 G L E T	FUEL CONF. 5 FUEL CONF. 6		FUEL CONF. 1 FUEL CONF. 2 FUEL CONF. 3 FUEL CONF. 4 FUEL CONF. 5
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D E N -6 C E	FUEL CONF. 5 FUEL CONF. 6		FUEL CONF. 5 FUEL CONF. 6

FLIGHT TESTED

WINGLET CANT ANGLE

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	0	7.5	15		
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D E N -6 C E					

Figure 2. - Winglet configuration matrix

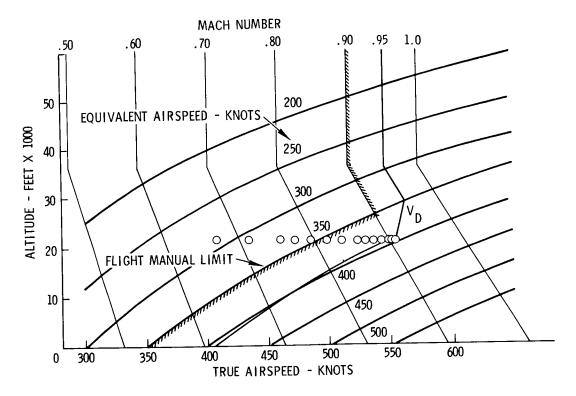


Figure 3. - Flight test envelope

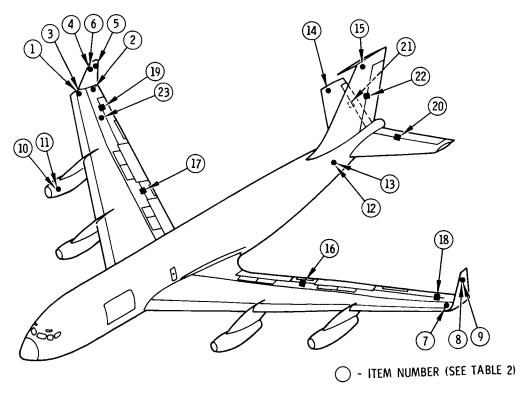


Figure 4. - Airplane instrumentation locations

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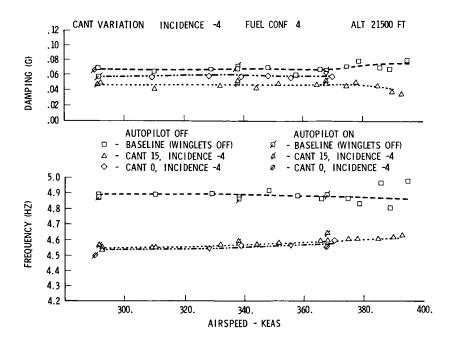


Figure 5. - Cant angle variation for elevator excitation

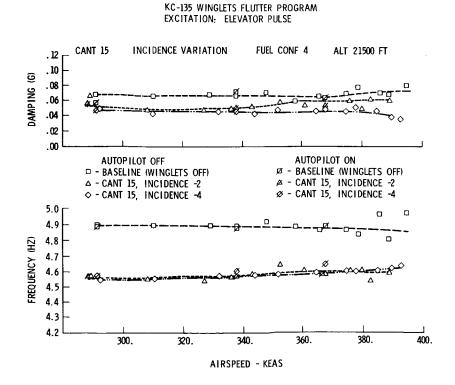


Figure 5. - Incidence angle variation for elevator excitation

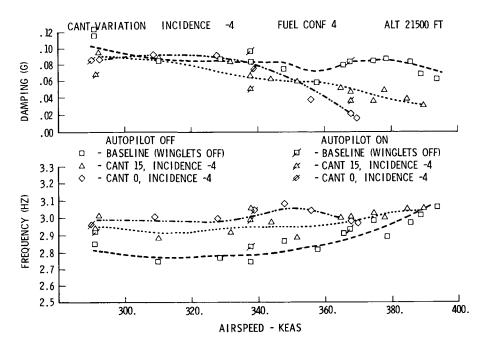


Figure 7. - Cant angle variation for aileron and rudder excitation

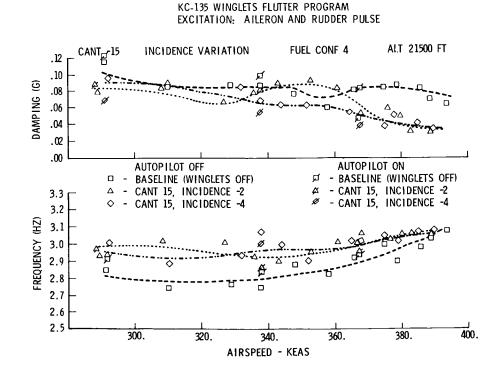


Figure 8. - Incidence angle variation for aileron and rudder excitation

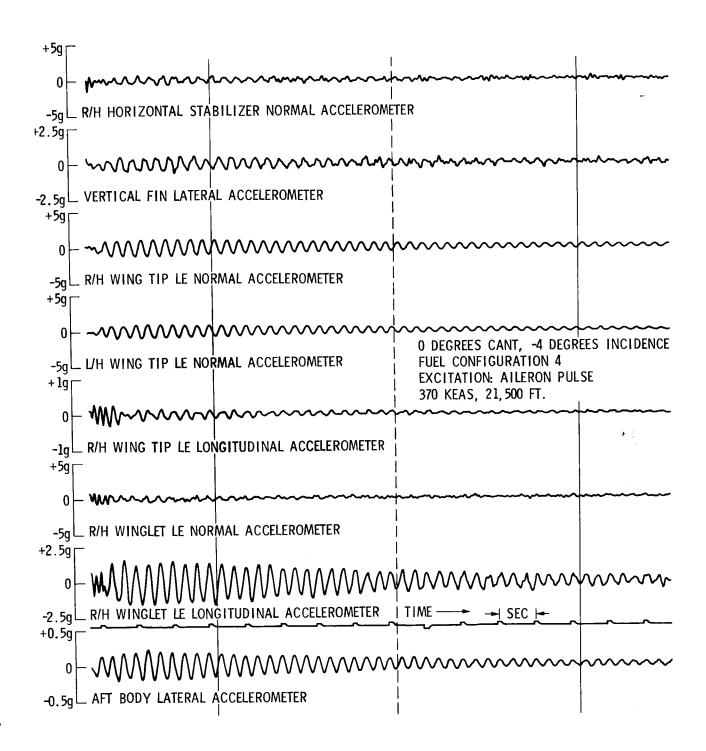


Figure 9. - Time history of 3.0 Hz antisymmetric oscillation

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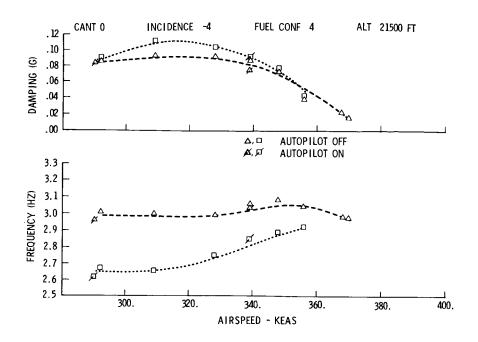


Figure 10. - Frequency and damping versus airspeed

COMPARISON OF ANALYSIS AND FLIGHT TEST RESULTS

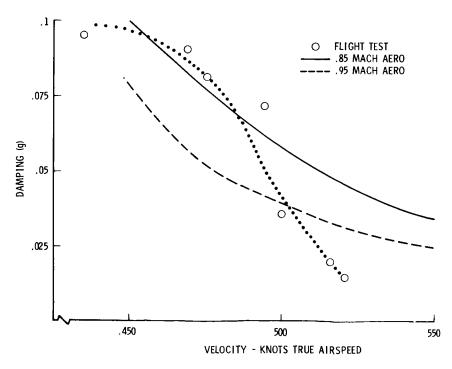


Figure 11. - Comparison of analysis and flight test results

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